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Fears That Situation May Lead To Hasty Action

AMBASSADOR RECALLED ON EVENTS OF URGENT NATURE

Berlin, To-day.

Sir Neville Henderson's departure to make a personal report to Lord Halifax was evidently hurried by events of an urgent nature as his "second in command," Sir G. A. D. Ogilvie-Forbes, is holidaying in Scotland.

Well-informed political circles here consider the situation particularly grave.

Public opinion has been stirred up by the inspired press to the point at where positive action is expected unless the Czechoslovak Government makes substantial concessions to the Sudeten Germans.

On the other hand, Sir John Simon's speech appears to have had a sobering effect. German political quarters, seem convinced that Britain will not remain a passive spectator to events in Czechoslovakia and it is likely the speech has caused Germany to hesitate before embarking on more positive measures.

FRONTIER MOBILISATION

Fears, rather than expectations on the part of the German public, that something positive will be done has been greatly increased by the reports of a partial mobilisation along the frontier areas.

It has been believed that a concession by the Czechs might induce the Reich to call off their press campaign and announce a final date for the termination of the manoeuvres which are continuing until the middle of March.—Reuter.

M. PIERRE COT IN PRAGUE

Paris, To-day.

The "Petit Parisien" reports that M. Pierre Cot, former Air Minister, is at present in Czechoslovakia, where he will confer with President Benes, as well as with other leading Czech personalities.—Trans-Ocean.

Heavy Drain Of Increased Fortification

London, To-day.

To-day's papers feature with flaming headlines the news from Central Europe and the increasing signs of apprehension in British Government quarters.

The arrival of Sir Neville Henderson, the British Ambassador in Berlin, is regarded as an omen indicating the extreme gravity of the situation.

The Sunday paper, "The People," in a special article on the situation, expresses the fear that Germany may be forced into hasty action as a result of the economic strain.

It is reported that a secret meeting of the Inner Cabinet was held during the week, attended by Dr. Schacht, the former Minister of Economics, and General Goering, organiser of the Four-Year Plan and virtual financial dictator of Germany.

It is declared that industry, short of money, is suffering. Cost of new fortification scheme is so draining the resources of the country that banks are unable to help industrialists.

Gold reserves are nearly exhausted. Hitler has failed in attempts to raise loans abroad. The mark is in danger.

The conclusion is reached that Hitler and his Ministers are face to face with the most critical situation since the Dictator came into power.

RUNCIMAN'S EFFORT TO CONCILIATE

Prague, To-day.

Strictest silence is being maintained concerning the conversation between Lord Runciman and Herr Konrad Henlein. This conversation, took place at Teplice-Schoenau and lasted until Sunday evening.

Informed circles, however, understand that the subject of the conversations was the discussion of a new plan by the Czech authorities for a new basis of conversations between the Government and the Sudeten Germans. The new plan is said to grant important new concessions.—Trans-Ocean.

GERMAN STORIES OF CZECH CLASHES

Prague, To-day.

Numerous incidents involving Sudeten Germans and Czechs occurred during the weekend, according to reports arriving here yesterday.

The most important, from the Sudeten German point of view being insulting remarks hurled at Konrad Henlein by a Czech military sentry in the village of Fohle as he was passing through. Although the nature of the remarks has not been revealed, they will be the subject of an interpellation in Parliament.

A clash occurred between the Germans and Czechs in Bohemia late on Saturday night when a group of Czechs approached the house of the German workers shouting "Henlein must get out."

PROTESTS

After a scuffle with the owner and a neighbour who came to his aid.

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(Continued from Next Col.) assistance, the group returned to the village, accosting several Germans on the way.

Another incident is reported from Schoenborn where four Czechs created a disturbance in a German tavern.

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What The Stars Foretell

By MARY BLAKE

By pleasing someone's eyes or taste, you may be able to accomplish a good deal to-day. A little flattery adroitly used, will not go amiss and make the day seem brighter for its recipient. Individual ideas regarding social diversions might vary greatly this day, so it is good judgement to amenable to any reasonable suggestions advanced, should your views differ from another's. Many a friendly gathering will have felt a wet blanket thrown over it by the host or hostess being too formal. It may pay to be broad-minded this day in regard to some friend's idiosyncrasies, for they are likely to turn out to be highly amusing. You will perhaps discover the means, to help prepare the way for a very advantageous engagement for this coming week. If you are wise you will do more listening than talking this day. Married and engaged couples, as well as those anticipating an early engagement, should try to co-operate in every way, especially when it comes to trying to make the day a harmonious one.

If a woman and August 29 is your birthday, you probably will be the object of much love and admiration. You ought not to allow social activities to occupy too much of your time, for you are capable of doing some really worthwhile work that may win for you a reputation that will bring you favourably into the limelight of publicity. Do not be afraid to show that you are of a deeply sentimental nature, because, if you



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try to cover it up by appearing indifferent, you might be subjected to criticism. As a lecturer, critic, journalist, actress, real estate or insurance, broker, tea room manager or artist you can attract a great amount of attention. The Marriages of nearly everyone born on this date, turn out well, so you need have no feeling of apprehension on this score.

The child born on August 29 frequently during its teens, develops into an intellectual or artistic type, but is thoroughly practical when it comes to planning a career. Fame and wealth are frequently the result of hard work done by those born on this date.

If a man and August 29 is your natal day, and intrepid spirit, with a generous heart and a high sense of justice, should enable you to make a success of your life. Educational, theological, mineralogical or agricultural work as well as manufacturing and selling are among the activities in which you are most likely to succeed.

Witty Kitty



An optimist is any one how believes that shadow lurking just around the corner is old man prosperity coming toward him.

The China Mail
DEALS
CONCISELY AND ACCURATELY
WITH THE NEWS
"EARLIEST WITH THE LATEST"

Why Should Men Go Bald?

It is strange that men should submit so meekly to the loss of their good looks. If a young girl is plagued with blackheads and spots efforts are made to assist her in regaining her schoolgirl complexion, but boys are expected to grin and bear their pimples unaided.

It is considered a tragedy for a woman to become bald, and yet the same condition is regarded as the natural, though slightly ludicrous, plight of men. It cannot be pleasant for the man whose face and arms become scorched and blistered during the summer months; a face burnt raw by the sun must be agony to shave, and yet the wretched creatures appear to have no ideas of how to save themselves from this unnecessary discomfort.

There should be treatment centres where men could get specialised advice for these various problems and where they could purchase the correct preparations for their comfort and the well-being of their personal appearance.

There might be a skin section where a young man suffering from an oily skin, open pores and blackheads would be able to buy a blackhead and open pore paste, which is used instead of a soap.

Two charts would be available to use in conjunction with these preparations — one describing a special diet and two exercises to help in the cure of acne, and the other giving the external treatment, including the removal of blackheads.

Men would be able to buy various preparations to protect them from becoming blistered and scorched from too much exposure to sun and sea air. There is a new sunburn protective which guards the skin against the actinic rays. This is sold in a bottle, and it is absorbed very quickly and completely, does not leave the skin greasy or sticky. It is equally good for men, women and children.

There is also a suntan cream which can be rubbed into the face after shaving and rubbed into the arms and shoulders before bathing. Another useful preparation is a white cream to use after shaving in cases where the skin is very delicate and apt to become painful and tender.

The hair treatment section would be one of the largest. There would be experts to diagnose the various types of baldness. They would explain to young men that excessive oiliness of the scalp combined with acne of the face and body can only be successfully treated by diet, exercise and fresh air, and that a very oily scalp, known as seborrhoea oleosa, is often the forerunner of baldness.

It is curious that this type of seborrhoea, though common in men, is not common in women.

Experts would explain to every man the importance of scalp massage. Each man should know that the scalp should be massaged all over the skull at least once a day to keep it freely movable.

As a man gets older he will find that his scalp is inclined to become so tightly stretched over the skull that it is difficult to move the skin over the bone. He should be shown how to grip the head on each side over the ears and move the scalp vigorously with his fingers and thumbs.

This is a boring and tiring process, but most men will not mind giving themselves this treatment if they are reading at the same time. The book can be put on a table in front of them and they can rest their elbows on the table and massage their scalp while reading the book. The hair should be brushed in all directions with a stiff bristled brush until the scalp tingles.

There are any number of useful hair tonics. The tonic should be rubbed along the various partings of the hair and massaged in with the fingertips in circular move-

Suits Are Always Smart



On the left—one in a novelty linen you can see what it's like. On the right—a spotted two-piece. Long-sleeved frock sleeveless coat.

ments.

Other preparations for men would be pine and brine bath salts and special mustard baths, eau de cologne for after-bath frictions, deodorant powders for after-bath

use, foot lotions and foot powders, a special preparation to prevent hands perspiring when going in for violent sports, and an iodine oil to keep the cuticles in a good condition.



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**ONCE LIVED LIFE
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An ex-public schoolboy was sentenced to nine month's hard labour at Westminster Police Court recently. It was stated that he had tried to live beyond his means in the West End, and that London was "the worst place for him."

He was Gilbert John Piers Dumas, aged 29, described as a clerk, of Oakley-street, Chelsea, S.W., and he pleaded guilty to charges of obtaining £3 by false pretences from Mr. Robert Wild, a director of the Royal Court Hotel, Sloanesquare, Chelsea, and obtaining £5 3s. 5d. credit by fraud at the same hotel.

He also admitted five other cases of obtaining credit by fraud and money by false pretences from West End restaurants.

Detective James said that Dumas was a public school-boy who finished his education in France. He had five convictions, including terms of imprisonment for conspiracy to defraud and uttering a forged cheque.

For a time he worked as a clerk in his late father's firm of City brokers. In 1931 he inherited £7,500 and married. He travelled abroad and spent the money. Having lived a life of luxury he could not now adjust himself to the fact that he was more or less penniless.

Dumas's brother told the magistrate (Mr. R. Powell) that the family had done all they could for him.

"He seems to think money can be picked up anywhere. London, in my opinion, is definitely the worst place for him. We thought of sending him abroad years ago, but certain authorities would not allow it," added the witness.

Addressing Dumas, the magistrate observed: "The only person who can help you is yourself, and at present I see no signs of you being anxious to depart from the road that will eventually lead you to the gutter."

**KOWLOON
BURGLARIES**

Mrs. A. Goodyear, of No. 43, Hillwood Road, has reported that someone entered his house last night and stole a bottle of whisky, money and jewellery to the value of \$106.

Someone entered the residence of Mr. Whitcroft, of No. 35, Cumberland Road last night, through an open window and stole money and other articles to the value of \$50.

**BABY FOUND IN
RAILWAY TUNNEL**

An 18-months-old child was found in the No. 1 Railway Tunnel yesterday having apparently fallen or been thrown from a train. The child was suffering from injuries to the head, arms and legs was removed to the Kowloon Hospital.

**WOMAN
PICKPOCKET**

A 22-year-old widow, Ko Kam-ping, who had three previous convictions, was this morning sentenced to six months' hard labour by Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Police Court when she pleaded guilty to the theft of a pocket watch from Mr. F. C. Callico, of No. 159, Prince Edward Road, yesterday in Nathan Road near the Majestic Theatre.

**C.N.A.C.
VICTIMS
DUE TO-DAY**

The bodies of the victims of the C.N.A.C. outrage are due in Hong Kong this afternoon in the S.S. Kinshan.

It is learned that as a mark of their sympathy, the Steamboat Company are conveying the coffins to Hong Kong without charge.

**FOURTH ARMY'S
MENACE ROUND
NANKING**

SHANGHAI, TO-DAY.
THE FIRST ADMISSION OF THE ACTIVITIES OF THE RECENTLY RE-ORGANISED CHINESE FOURTH ROUTE ARMY IN THE VICINITY OF NANKING WAS MADE IN AN OFFICIAL JAPANESE WAR DISPATCH HERE TO-DAY.

This dispatch describes large encircling movements made by the Japanese against "guerilla units of the Fourth Route Army," about 35 miles south-west of Nanking.

The result, as stated, is that the Chinese suffered "heavy losses." — Reuter.

**EUROPEAN CATCHES
SNATCH THIEF**

Mrs. Spencer, of No. 8C, Cameron Road, was the victim of a snatch thief in Austin Road on Saturday. The snatcher, Lam Kam-fuk, aged 21, was remanded for 24 hours by Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Police Court this morning.

Inspector E. G. Post, who prosecuted, said that Mrs. Spencer was walking in Austin Road near King's Park Mansions when defendant snatched her handbag and ran towards Gun Club Barracks. He was arrested by Mr. K. C. Hamilton, of the Government Marine Surveyor's Office, who heard Mrs. Spencer's alarm.

Only one cholera case was reported during the week-end.

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CATHOLIC PROTEST IN GERMANY AGAINST ALLEGED NAZI ANTI-CHURCH DRIVE

Berlin, To-day.

The anti-Catholic campaign in Germany is denounced in a pastoral letter read in all Catholic churches in Germany but not Austria.

The letter was approved at the recent conference of Catholic bishops at Fulda which Austrian bishops did not attend.

It says that the campaign aims at paralyzing the church and annihilating Christianity and introducing a new faith which has nothing in common with the belief in future life.

MANY COMPLAINTS

It complains that children and young people are prevented from going to church and everything good in the Catholic faith is suppressed and distorted and everything bad exaggerated.

The clergy are accused of immorality but without being tried and Catholic publications are censored, forbidden and confiscated.

The Catholic church is accused of alliance with Bolshevik Russia of which it is a most irreconcilable enemy.—Reuter.

CNAC TRAGEDY: TWO FARMERS ALSO KILLED

Latest information on the "Kweilin" tragedy provided by the C.N.A.C. this morning states that all but two of the occupants of the plane have now been accounted for, the two still missing being Messrs. Lee Kar-shing, and Chen Ken-fee.

Altogether 14 bodies have been recovered but two of these bodies, it has now been established, were not occupants of the plane. It is believed, from the manner in which they were dressed, that they were farmers who endeavoured to render assistance and were themselves struck down by the hail of machine-gun bullets.

Salvage lighters left Canton yesterday and are believed to have now arrived on the spot.

REPLY TO BRITISH CRITICISMS

Berlin, Yesterday.

"Voelkischer Beobachter" replies to the British criticism of the attitude adopted on the Czechoslovakian issue by the German press.

It denies that the German press is content to see only one side of the matter. It is the duty of German newspapers to publish accounts of Czech excesses against the Sudeten Germans, particularly as the Czech press seeks to prevent the world from learning the truth about the situation in Sudeten German districts.

The "Berliner Lokal Anzeiger" under the heading "Material for Runciman," carries a series of alleged Czech excesses against Sudeten Germans. It claims that news of several further incidents of grave character have been suppressed by the Sudetens themselves because they fear that the Czechs will take revenge.—Trans-Ocean.

PRIME MINISTER'S WARNING

LONDON, TO-DAY.

THE SPEECH DELIVERED BY THE CHANCELLOR OF THE EXCHEQUER AT LANARK HAS ATTRACTED WIDE-SPREAD ATTENTION AND, IN VIEW OF THE ANXIOUS CONCERN WITH WHICH THE TENSE SITUATION IN CENTRAL EUROPE IS BEING STUDIED HERE, HIS RE-STATEMENT OF BRITAIN'S ATTITUDE IS WELCOMED BY THE PRESS.

The salient passages of the speech of the Prime Minister on March 24th are reproduced, as Sir John Simon said that that declaration still holds good to-day.

On March 24th, Mr. Chamberlain said he could give no guarantee to go automatically to the assistance of Czechoslovakia should she be attacked or pledge Britain to give full military aid to France should she fulfil her obligations under the France-Czechoslovak treaty.

He added: "But while stating this decision I would add this—Where peace and war are concerned legal obligations are not alone involved and if war broke out it would be unlikely to be confined to those who have assumed such obligations."

INEXORABLE FACTS

"It would be quite impossible to say where it might end and what Governments might be involved. The inexorable pressure of facts might well prove more powerful than formal pronouncements and in that event it might well be within the bounds of probability that other countries besides those which were parties to the original dispute would almost immediately be involved. That is especially true of two countries like Britain and France with long associations of friendship, with interests close-

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London, Yesterday.

The text of the Anglo-Egyptian Agreement, signed on August 4, supplementary to the Treaty of 1936, has just been published and reveals the correctness of the indication made several weeks ago that the British Government had

undertaken to contribute 50 per cent of all costs incurred in the erection of barracks and military works in the Suez Canal Zone.

As the total costs were estimated to amount to ten million pounds, the Egyptian Government found itself unable to keep the engagements entered into by the Treaty of 1936.

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KING LEOPOLD'S VACATION

Brussels, To-day.

King Leopold of the Belgians left this city on Sunday for a vacation in Switzerland and Italy. He will be guest of his Sister, the Princess of Piedmont.—Trans-Ocean.

NUREMBERG CONGRESS

Burgos, To-day.

An Insurgent delegation of 20, including representatives of the State, Army, Falange and press will attend the National Socialist Party congress in Nuremberg.—Trans-Ocean.

SZALASI GOES TO PRISON

Budapest, To-day.

The Leader of the Hungarian Fascist Party, known as the "Party of National Will," Dr. Franz, Szalasi, left here yesterday under heavy escort to begin his three years' prison term at Szeged.

It will be recalled that Szalasi was convicted of having plotted against the Government and of having planned an armed revolution.—Trans-Ocean.

Burgos, To-day.

The Council of Ministers has decided upon a reorganisation of the Supreme Court and upon a new Amnesty Law. It was also decided to found a National Spanish Olympic Committee.—Trans-Ocean.

\$65,000 FOUND IN ARREST OF PATRIOTIC COLLECTORS

Before Mr. R. Edwards at the Central Magistracy this morning, three Chinese, Liu Wai, aged 28, master of a stall in Western Market, Yuen Loke-kam, aged 45, contractor, Lui Yat-shiu, aged 40, shop-fork, were fined \$20 for "unlawfully organising or taking part in collection of money at Bonham Strand East, for charitable or benevolent purposes without the permission of the Commissioner of Police."

Inspector Hopkins stated that he saw two lorries driving along Des Vaux Road Central near Bonham Strand E. decorated with flags and a photo of Chiang Kai-shek. The crowd was obstructing traffic. The lorries were taken to the Police Station and defendants were charged on instructions by the Commissioner of Police Mr. T. H. King. A sum of \$65,000 found in the lorries, having been collected, is to be paid over to the proper authorities.

STRIP-TEASE GIRL DEFIES DEATH—WINS

New York (By Mail).

Ada Leonard, the strip-tease girl who recently defied death rather than have her lovely body scarred, amazed doctors at a Chicago hospital yesterday by taking a turn for the better.

She was told recently that she would die unless she had an operation for appendicitis, but she stubbornly refused to undergo it.

After two blood transfusions to-day she was reported stronger. "It is a miracle that she has survived," said the hospital's chief doctor.

CHINA AND ANGLO-JAP. CONVERSATIONS

Expressing gratification over the London "Times" leader stating that "Britain will not buy Japanese friendship with a cynical deal at China's expenses," the "Ta Kung Pao" in a leading article this morning declares that China has hitherto had confidence in Britain's friendship and will continue to cherish this confidence unwaveringly.

The journal expresses the hope that Britain will act according to "The Times" belief and increase her assistance to China, so as to bring the present hostilities to a quick end.

Referring to the recent diplomatic efforts of Japan to improve relations with Britain, the paper says: "Since his assumption of the Foreign Affairs portfolio, General Ugaki has spoken a lot of honeyed words to Britain. Britain has also highly praised the Japanese Foreign Minister. But to date, no fruitful results have been harvested from the repeated negotiations between the two countries. This is mainly due to insincerity on the part of Japan."

LONDON'S WARINESS

The lack of any tangible results from repeated overtures, is, in the opinion of the paper, the result of London's wariness in not falling a victim to the Japanese bait.

Japan's hope, apparently, is that by offering to respect Britain's interests, the latter might agree to give in return recognition of Japan's domineering position in China, or even a promise for economic co-operation, whereby Japan would be able to develop China's resources. But such fond dreams are bound to be shattered by the keen discernment of the British.

"While the Japanese Government is seeking to improve its relations with Britain, Japan's military officers openly display anti-British feelings. The contradiction this shows is ample reason for Britain to refuse Japanese friendship at the expense of China," the paper concludes.

MARSEILLES HARBOUR WORKS

Paris, To-day.

The firm conviction of the Government that the Marseilles Harbour works must be completed, and that work must also be carried out on Sunday, which led the Government to threaten that, should the French workers continue in their strike against Sunday working, Senegal troops would be employed, has had the desired effect.

Workers who had been striking, appeared on Sunday morning.—Trans-Ocean.

STILL HELD UP

Paris, To-day.

The giant French plane "Lieutenant de Vaisseau," which reached the Azores on Sunday, is being held up by a damaged propeller. The flight, it is announced, cannot be continued for the time being, due to exceptionally unfavourable weather.—Trans-Ocean.



HORSEBACK HOLIDAYS. There is an increase in the popularity of horse-riding in Monmouthshire and South Wales, and many Cardiff and Newport business girls are taking up riding as exercise and also for exploring the little known bridge paths through the extensive woodlands of Monmouthshire. Within a short distance of Newport, bye-roads lead to country quite inaccessible to other means of transport. Photo shows a party of South Wales business girls spending their holiday on horseback in the Lake Valley at Llangibby, making their way along the River Ush at Llangibby.

GERMANY DISAPPOINTED BY SIMON LANARK SPEECH

Leading Nazi Journal Strongly Critical

Dangers Of War References Annoy

Berlin, To-day.

Extreme disappointment over Sir John Simon's speech was voiced by the whole German press yesterday, mainly on the grounds that it did not do justice to the Sudeten German cause and made it clear that Britain could not be regarded as merely a spectator to what happens in Europe.

The German paper "Voelkischer Beobachter" describes the speech as "ambiguous and unfortunate" and considers that it will have a similar effect as that of Mr. Chamberlain's, on March 24, in stiffening Czech resistance to a reasonable settlement and that this effect may have been intended.

The "National Zeitung" says that Berlin read the part of the speech referring to the possibility of war and its effects with special annoyance and "it should have been evident to Sir Simon that it is useless to direct such threats to the wrong address — or has Britain already made up her mind about future developments and has, therefore, relinquished the idea of changing Prague's policy?" — Reuter.

GERMAN PROTEST IN PRAGUE

Prague, To-day.

The German Minister in Prague has lodged a sharp protest with the Czechoslovak Government against the "scurrilous defamation" of German soldiers contained in an article published in a Czech newspaper.

The German Minister, who made the protest verbally, demanded punishment of the offenders and assurances that requisite steps will be taken to make publication of defamations of this sort impossible in the future. — Trans-Ocean.

BRUENN GERMANS PROTEST

Prague, Yesterday.

Various German organisations of Bruenn, in a telegram to Lord Runciman and the Premier, Dr. Hodza, protested against the decision of the Bruenn City Council in depriving the German community of the use of the "Redouten Theatre."

The "Redouten Theatre" had been placed at the disposal of the German Theatrical Community after confiscation of the German theatre in Bruenn in 1919. — Trans-Ocean.

FURTHER AFFRAYS IN PALESTINE

Jerusalem, To-day.

Papers here announce that the Railway Station at the town of Kalkilieh was fired upon by a number of heavily armed men on Saturday.

The men stole the cash box of

BRITISH CREW REFUSE TO GO TO VALENCIA

Bucharest, To-day.

The papers here announce that 26 members of the crew of the British freighter "Stratford" here proclaimed a strike after learning that the actual destination of the vessel, which had loaded a cargo of oil and provisions at the port of Constanza, was not a British port as the clearance papers declared, but the port of Valencia.

After learning the ship's true destination, the sailors informed the captain that they refused to continue the voyage and went to the British Consulate and lodged their protest. The British Consul made arrangements for the sailors' return to England by the next British ship which leaves the port of Constanza.

The Captain of the "Stratford" thereupon hired a Rumanian crew, offering them double wages as a compensation for the risks of a voyage to Valencia. — Trans-Ocean.

the ticket office and then escaped.

Another incident is reported to have occurred in the vicinity of the town of Gaza. An omnibus with Jewish workers was fired at by Arab "Extremists."

One Jewish police constable, who accompanied the bus as an escort, was abducted by the Arabs. — Trans-Ocean.

FRENCH COMMENT ON LANARK SPEECH

Paris, To-day.

Sir John Simon's Lanark address is extensively commented upon by the Paris Sunday papers, the majority of which express the ground westward towards.

The speech is regarded as a corroboration of Mr. Chamberlain's statements of March 24, and a new declaration of solidarity with France. It is pointed out that Sir Simon used the greatest reserve and caution in discussing the international situation, and for this reason, some astonishment is expressed over the fact that the speech had such a chilly reception in Germany.

Commenting upon Sir John Simon's declarations regarding the Czechoslovakian situation "Epoque" opines that many who had hoped for a more definite statement of the British position must be disappointed with the speech which in no way added to Mr. Chamberlain's words on March 24.

OPPORTUNE MOMENT

"Le Jour" believes that the speech came at an opportune moment, in view of the fact that a new crisis seems to be developing in the German-Czech relations.

The extreme reserve exercised by Sir John Simon was due, according to the "Petit Parisien," to the desire on part of the British Government not to interfere in any way with Lord Runciman's work in Prague.

Also emphasising the tactful reserve which characterised the speech, the "Journal" states that it contained two main points, one, reiteration of Mr. Chamberlain's statement of the position, according to which England and France have special grounds for lending assistance to one another in the event of an armed conflict and, two, a new and urgent appeal to the common sense of the world, particularly of those countries directly interested in the Czechoslovak situation, in order that all may contribute towards a satisfactory solution. — Trans-Ocean.

HENLEIN TOUR CLASH

Prague, To-day.

An incident is reported to have occurred during the visit which the Leader of the Sudeten German Party, Herr Konrad Henlein paid to the Sudeten German town of Leitnitz on Saturday.

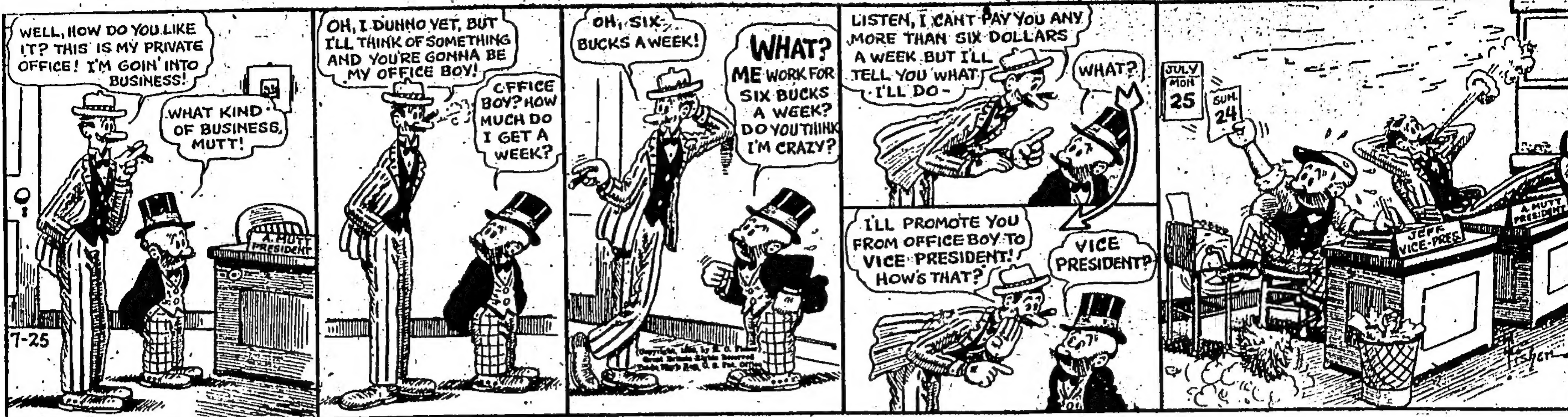
When Herr Henlein was being welcomed by the Mayor of the Town, Czechs are alleged to have attacked two of the Sudeten German officials who accompanied Herr Henlein. One of the officials was pushed off his bicycle and the other received a blow in the face. — Trans-Ocean.



WESTMINSTER COUNCIL'S ANTI-GAS PRECAUTIONS. Westminster City Council have turned their highway depot into a decontamination centre, which is being used as a training centre for day-to-day lectures for council employees. 20 of the council's staff of 750 are to take a full time intensive anti-gas course every week, being freed from other duties to do so. These pictures were taken at the depot to-day, when a squad of council employees were undergoing their final tests. Photo shows — Westminster schoolboys who were passing the Monk-street depot were intrigued by a council employee wearing his anti-gas kit.

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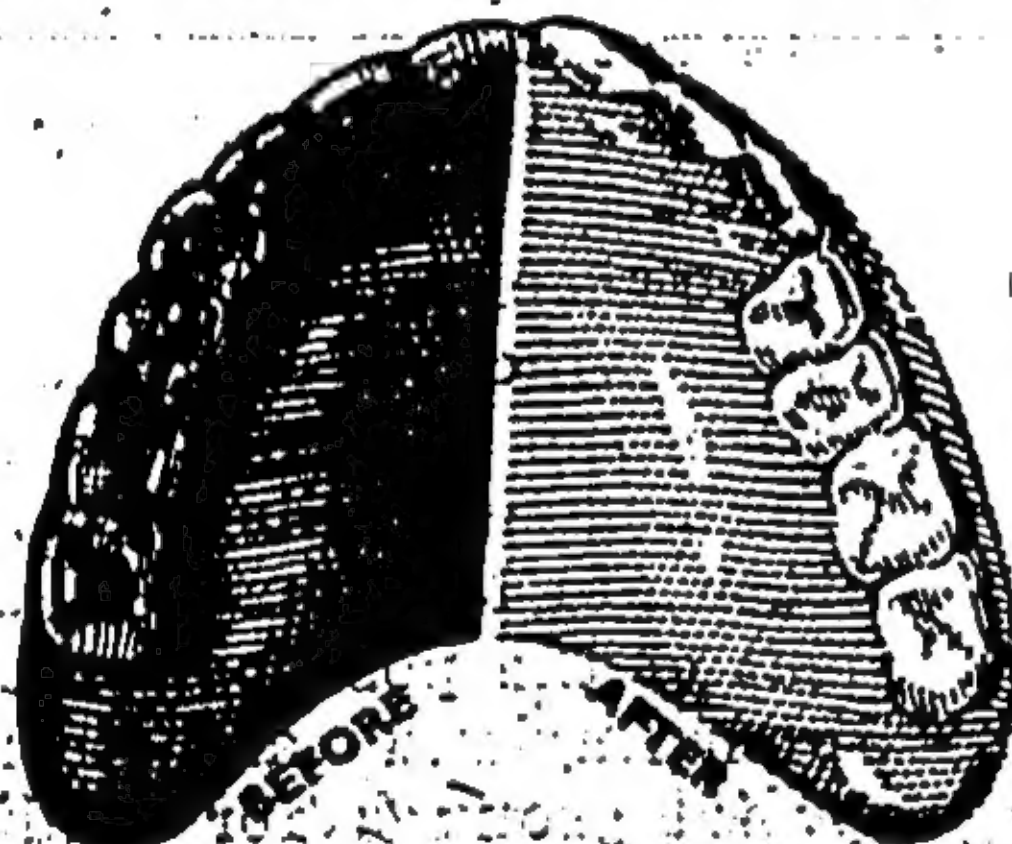
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THE DAILY SHORT STORY

Paint The Church

PREACHER ANDREWS walked slowly down the tree-shaded lane that led from the church to the street. His hands were clasped behind him. His shoulders were stooped, as though they bore the weight of a tremendous burden.

Reaching the streets he turned and looked back at the church. It was not large. Its architecture was of a day long since past. Yet it bore a dignity, an antiquity that provoked an air of unique picturesqueness reposing there beneath the old maples and elms and horsechestnut trees.

Preacher Andrews sighed deeply. The church, this House of Worship, this building that had stood and flourished for generations, was falling into decay. The spire no longer gleamed white in the morning sun. Paint had peeled from its clapboard walls, leaving ugly blotches. Shutters had lost their lustre — more than one hung from a broken hinge. The grass and weeds were tall and unattended in the once spacious common.

Preacher Andrews sighed again. He thought: "It needs painting. It needs repairing and fixing up. It is becoming an eyesore, a disgrace to the community." The thought sobered him

How would he meet the obligation he had entailed? If the painters were willing to wait until the entire job was finished, Preacher Andrews was sure the result would awaken the necessary spark in the hearts of his church members. But the builders would want money on Saturday. A lot of it. He had promised to give it to them.

Saturday! Between now and then — Preacher Andrews moaned softly to himself and opened his Bible.

A steeplejack was sliding down the spire by means of ropes. He reached the roof below, descended ladders to the ground, and came down the tree-shaded lane toward the parish house. He was carrying a large copper ball. Preacher Andrews recognised it as the decoration leading up to the weather vane on the spire.

"Found this and thought you'd like to see it," the jack explained.

The copper ball lay open on Preacher Andrews' desk. Inside were envelopes, newspaper clippings, a compact bundle. Preacher Andrews scanned the clippings. They told of the spire being blown over almost a hundred years ago, and the response of parishioners in providing funds to make repairs. There was another clipping which men-

By Karl Grayson

even more. Hopelessness dwelt in his eyes. He had tried so very hard to organise a campaign to raise the necessary funds. He had appealed to the community spirit of his parish, but without success. People weren't interested in churches these days. Sunday was no longer a day for rest and worship. It was a day for rushing around the countryside in automobiles, for attending ball games and picture shows, a day on which hectic activities were crowded into limited hours.

Standing there with the church before him, Preacher Andrews thought of years past when this church was the centre of the community's activity, when raising funds for its maintenance was a matter of little effort, when people responded to a call because of pride and a sense of duty and gratuitousness.

"If it could be painted," he thought. "If repairs could be made, it would become a landmark that would attract attention. People would again take pride, would again realise how necessary a church is to a community, would attend services, would see how much they needed faith, something to cling to, an anchor."

Preacher Andrews suddenly stopped his train of thought. Faith. That's what people needed, and by jove, that's what he himself was lacking. He, a minister of the gospel, lacking faith. The thought startled him. Paint the church; that was the thing to do. Order the thing done and trust in his faith in people and in God that the obligation would be satisfied. A way would show itself. A way must show itself.

His heart thumping, Preacher Andrews started briskly across the street toward his home, and a telephone.

The steeplejacks arrived on Monday. They worked from the bottom up, scraping and cleaning. Presently they would begin painting from the top down. Once more the spire would gleam whitely against the morning sun. From his study window Preacher Andrews watched developments anxiously. Fear dwelt in his heart, a horrible, rending fear. What if his parishioners failed to respond? What if they showed complete indifference?

tioned the great number of worthless banknotes then in circulation.

Preacher Andrews opened the compact bundle. Inside was a thick stack of banknotes, with a humorous note on top, written by the minister of that time. "These banknotes were contributed by our parishioners for repairing the steeple. All are worthless, providing that even our good church members are victims of the bogus currency now in circulation. Our funds were gladly contributed...."

It was Saturday noon when Preacher Andrews got back from Washington. Held tightly in his hand was a package. The package contained currency which the Treasury Department had substituted for the alleged bogus currency, every note of which had been redeemed by the government three months after the death of the minister who had stored them in the copper ball.

Preacher Andrews walked up the tree-shaded lane. His step was brisk. There was a smile on his face. Fear no longer dwelt in his heart.

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JAPANESE UNOFFICIALLY CLAIM CAPTURE OF LIUAN

Report Contradicted By Hankow Quarters

Chinese Offensive On North Side Of Yangtse

Shanghai, To-day.

It is un-officially claimed that a Japanese detachment, operating along the north bank of the Yangtse, has captured Liuan.

The report states, although "about 12 Chinese divisions are defending Liuan," they were put to rout by a furious Japanese artillery barrage.

Another Japanese unit, it is un-officially claimed, has crossed the Pei River and captured Hanpai-tu. — Reuter.

Both reports are contradicted by Chinese versions of the progress of the fighting.

MAJOR BATTLE EXPECTED

Hankow, To-day.

The consensus of military opinion seems to be that a major battle between the massing Chinese and Japanese troops along the Yangtze may be expected within the current week.

The scene of the important battle, they are inclined to believe, will be a stretch of low-lying fields inter-laced with a maze of waterways between Wusueh and Tienkiatsen on the north brink of the Yangtze, fifty kilometres above Kiukiang.

Chinese forces have built an elaborate system of defence works in these parts to thwart the expected Japanese onslaught. Strong units of crack troops, behind firmly entrenched positions, are held in readiness to contest every inch of the ground westward towards Wuhan.

Indications of the imminence of an important engagement have been made clearer since the weekend when Japanese operations westward from the northern bank of the Chihu Lake became more active. Twenty thousand Japanese forces, massing in the Juichang area, are making feverish preparations to turn northwestward to attack Matow, a small river town directly opposite Wusueh across the Yangtze.

From Matow, it is expected, the Japanese will once more divert their main force towards the north bank and there engage the defenders in a pitched engagement from Wusueh to Tienkiachen.

SOUTH BANK

At the same time, attempts are being made by the Japanese forces on the south bank to push from their triangular shaped foothold touching Juichang, Shaho and Singtze, to gain more elbow room for swinging their arms. Two regiments, advancing from Shaho and Singtze westward along the Nanchang-Kiukiang railway are believed to be engaged towards this end.

Chinese troops who evacuated Juichang last week have now taken up new positions among the hilly regions west of the walled town.

In the vicinity of Singtze, all was quiet yesterday except for Japanese transportation movements. — Central News.

CHINESE OFFENSIVE

Liuan, To-day.

Following the recapture of Tsienshan, which has been confirmed by military despatches from the front, Chinese troops are hot on the heels of the retreating Japanese.

To the southwest of Tsienshan, fierce fighting still raged throughout yesterday.

Another column, pushing their way from Siaoehyeh and Maosingsang, have recaptured Yehjenchai and Laolingtou.

Flanking the Japanese on the highway, a third column turned the enemy left wing from the south-east of Tsienshan. — Central News.

CHINESE RETAKE SUSUNG

Hankow, To-day.

An urgent military despatch from the front received at eleven o'clock last night reports the recapture of the walled town of Susung, at 5.30 o'clock in the afternoon.

Susung is approximately ten kilometres northeast of Hwangmei.

The Japanese garrison at Susung, according to the report, suffered heavy losses. The Japanese forces scattered and retreated towards Wankiang and Anking.

Great significance is attached to the recapture of Susung by military observers as it cuts off the retreat of the spearhead of the Japanese advance at Hwangmei and blocks the transportation of supplies and provisions along the Susung-Hwangmei highway. — Central News.

OUTSTANDING SUCCESS

Hankow, To-day.

Chinese troops, according to local reports, scored an outstanding success on Sunday in recapturing Tsienshan and Taihu on the northern bank of the Yangtze. The Japanese, according to these Chinese reports, suffered heavy casualties and are retreating in south-west direction.

The loss of these towns means an interruption of the Japanese munitions supply from Susung and Huangmei, and importance is attached to these successes since the Japanese have stated that their advance on Hankow began on Saturday. — Trans-Ocean.

H.K. ELECTRIC'S LOSS

Two women, Chan Mui, mistress of boat No. 3078W, and Leung Shing, boatwoman, were charged at the Kowloon Police Court this morning before Mr. K. M. A. Barnett with unlawful possession of 625 lbs. of coal and with dumping to prevent seizure at North Point yesterday.

Sergeant Mackenzie said that it was believed that coolies employed by the Hong Kong Electric Company at North Point to unload coal from ship to the company's coal yard dumped baskets into the boat which moored against the ship.

They were remanded for 24 hours and bail of \$500 each was granted.

The mistress of boat No. 451, Wong Mui, was also remanded for 24 hours when charged with a similar offence. She was allowed on bail of \$15.

HALF AN INCH OF RAIN

The Royal Observatory reports that pressure is highest over the Pacific to the north-east of Japan, and is relatively low over China generally; a depression is situated east of the Bonins. Forecast:—S.W. winds, moderate; fair to showery.

Half an inch of rain fell in the heavy downpour early this morning. The total fall since January 1 is still 23 inches below average.



BY BOMBER TO SOCCER MATCH. The squadron soccer team of a Bomber Transport Squadron of the R.A.F. at Heliopolis in Egypt have definite advantages over their soccer friends in civilian life. They are not restricted by distance for their away matches as they travel in one of the huge bombers. A match in Palestine, for instance, just means that the players board the bomber in their football gear and arrive at their destination all ready for the game. Photo shows—A consultation before leaving Heliopolis for a match in their soccer togs alongside the bomber ready for the flight.


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**BRIGHTER POST
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It is related of the famous
actor, Sir Henry Irving, that he
once went into a post office in
Britain to buy a penny stamp,
and, on the assistant's produc-
ing a large sheet of stamps, Ir-
ving pointed solemnly to the mid-
dle of it, and said: "I'll have
that one, please."

He may not have intended the
joke to convey a lesson, but it
did; for it emphasised the fact
that, although it holds a mono-
poly, the post office stands in
nearly the same relation to a
customer as an ordinary store.
That is to say, the same ameni-
ties, the same consideration for
his comfort, his feelings, should
be extended to him in the form-
er that he gets in the latter.

But it was long before the
British post office took the lesson
to heart: it remained gloomy,
unattractive, and devoid of the
chairs and tables that would have
added so much to the comfort,
and have facilitated the business,
of its clientele; post office nihs
were crosses hard to be borne;
pencils wore chains of office, but
knew not how to make their
mark; and against all innovation
in these matters the Royal Mail
was proof.

The last few years, however,
have seen a great improvement;
and in a speech, which he made
recently, Sir Walter Womersley,
Assistant Postmaster General,
drew attention to this with par-
donable pride. He pointed out
that a "Brighter Post Office"
campaign has resulted in com-
fortably furnished offices, sup-
plied with pleasant inquiry bur-
eaus, and that even the pehs
may reasonably be described now
as "de luxe." Need we say that
Hong Kong has still to experience
the thrill of a duty well done.

The Policewoman's Lot

The Law is the true embodiment
Of everything that's excellent
It has no kind of fault or flaw,
And I, my Lords, embody the Law.
So sang Gilbert and Sullivan's
Lord Chancellor. But Paris has
decreed that its women may no
longer simulate the bobby who
with "uplifted hand" is found
"conducting the orchestral
Strand." A year's experiment
has come to an end, according
to report, and Parisian police-
women are being retired to cler-
ical work sans uniform.

That masculine Paris wished
to retain for its own exclusive
wear the nattiness of the gen-
darme's uniform is a suspicion
only feminists might whisper.
Actually the policewomen have
been retired because *les Parisiens*
refused to recognise the strength
of a womanly arm of the law.

Outside France, in Germany,
England, and the Scandinavian

countries, however, the popular-
ity of women police is increas-
ingly strong. And in Europe
there are more than 1,000 mighty
women of the law. Whatever
the reasons for the present
Parisian ban, it is doubtful that
the democratic "City of the Lily"
will permanently forbid its wo-
men to assist in crime preventive
work and juvenile cases, fields to
which they bring peculiar talents,
and do possess "everything that's
excellent."

It Pays —

In his presidential address to
the recent International Adver-
tising Convention at Glasgow,
Lord Southwood of Fernhurst re-
marked: "I sometimes think
that the real value of advertising
is not so much that it helps to
make the mass-production mach-
ine our servant as that it pre-
vents it from becoming our mas-
ter."

A penetrating comment; but
in the not so distant past it seem-
ed likely that advertising, in
accomplishing this, would only
be ousting one tyranny by an-
other. Not only did it bestride
our world, as it does now, like a
Colossus, but it badgered, and
even on occasions bullied, with a
ruthless unconcern for the more
sensitive feelings of the public.
It paid little homage to aesthe-
tics; and its method was that of
Humpty Dumpty—

I said it very loud and clear;
I went and shouted in his ear.

But the citizen,

... he was very stiff and proud,
He said "You needn't shout so
loud!"

and as a consequence, partly of
his attitude, there has been a
great change for the better in the
character of advertising.

To-day, the best of it is, by
comparison, tactful and decorous
in its approach; it is allied with
art, and often deferential to
natural beauty; and though it is
beyond it to do good by stealth,
it is learning to make a virtue of
ostentation, and can sometimes
transform even a hoarding into
an amenity.

Dirt and Noise

Two subjects of great interest
are dealt with in the annual re-
port of the Building Research
Board—dirt on the outer walls of
buildings in smoky towns and the
passage of sound between adjoin-
ing houses. Experiments in the
removal of the sooty coating from
masonry have been rewarded by
the discovery of a simple process
which does not harm fine sculp-
ture and delicate surfaces. It
consists in subjecting the stone
to a fine spray of water for an
hour or two, after which only a
light brushing is necessary. Two
old buildings in London, one fac-
ed with Portland stone and one
with Bath stone, have been suc-
cessfully cleaned by the Office of
Works by the use of this method.
No chemical was used and no
hard scrubbing was applied. The
section of the report dealing
with sound transmission from one
house to its neighbour is, un-
fortunately, much less satisfac-
tory. The wireless loudspeaker
is the chief offender to-day. The
usual nine-inch party wall, as
many people have discovered
for themselves, is easily pene-
trated by their neighbour's recep-
tion of the broadcast programmes,
and the Research Board has to
confess that the difficulties of
dealing with this problem are so
serious that it is more profitable
to turn attention to the careful
planning of future buildings.

CABINET LEADERS MEETING TO-MORROW

Precautionary Measures In Britain Coming?

HERR HENLEIN'S SPECIAL VISIT TO RUNCIMAN

Prague, To-day.

At Lord Runciman's request, Herr Henlein has interrupted his tour of the Sudeten German districts and called at the local castle where Lord Runciman and the British Minister to Prague, Sir Basil Newton, were week-end guests.

Lord Runciman returned to Prague at 10.00 p.m., his interview with Herr Henlein having occupied two hours.

Herr Henlein's Deputy, Dr. Frank, speaking at Nehaus declared: "Certain matters have been brought before us and it is necessary for us to take immediate decisions. Our leader is at present conversing with Lord Runciman and the 'Teacher of Gymnastics' (Henlein), whom the Czechs laughed at, is now playing a dominant role."

Tension in the situation has led to several incidents in different provincial towns. Hitherto, eight have been injured. — Reuter.

OTHER LEADERS ATTEND

Prague, To-day.

The conference between Konrad Henlein and Lord Runciman, which began at the palace of Prince Clary-Aldringen in Teplitz-Schoenau at five o'clock, was still in progress at eight o'clock.

In the meantime the Sudeten German Deputy Dr. Kundt and Henlein's deputy, Dr. Karl Frank, have arrived in Teplitz-Schoenau. — Trans-Ocean.

PREMIER STILL THINKING OF SCOTLAND

London, To-day.

As already arranged, the Prime Minister is returning to London to-day when number of appointments have been made for him.

The Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax, will also be in London to-day.

Before leaving London for his visit to Scotland, the Prime Minister intends to hold a meeting of the Ministers who are available. The meeting will be held at No. 10, Downing Street, at 11 a.m. to-morrow. — British Wireless.

No Attempt To Conceal Gravity Of Situation

London, To-day.

The meeting of Cabinet Ministers which the Prime Minister is summoning to No. 10, Downing Street on Tuesday morning, it is understood, will consider the latest developments in the Czech-Sudeten dispute.

The meeting may decide whether any further diplomatic moves in Prague and Berlin might prove helpful and also whether any precautionary measures should be taken here.

It seems probable that unless the position improves, the full Cabinet may be called upon to meet early in September.

SIR JOHN SIMON ON PROSPECTS OF PEACE

London, To-day.

"There are big countries in Europe," Sir John Simon went on to say in the further course of his Lanark speech, "possessing a system of government which differs very considerably from that of Britain."

No Britisher, who has grown up in the traditions of Parliamentary Democracy, wants to witness Britain's adoption of this other system. But that is no reason why the British foreign policy should be conducted as though friendship with these countries which have different political system is something impossible."

"British armament," said the Chancellor of the Exchequer, "had not been stirred up by mistrust in other nations, because everybody knew that British arms would never be used for offensive purpose and that Britain was making herself strong in order that she may be relied upon to play an effective part as friend of peace."

The entire efforts of the British Government are aimed at strengthening the foundations of peace and at getting acceptance for the principle that recourse should be had to discussion and reason in the settlement of international differences. Britain has adopted a policy of this kind because it has arrived at the conviction that a genuine solution cannot be found by having recourse to the use of force. On the contrary, the use of force and might, in certain circumstances, have repercussions whose ultimate effect would be to drag into the conflict of other parties who originally had nothing to do with it. Once the process of this sort had begun, however, nobody could say where it might end. — Trans-Ocean.

Mr. Chamberlain, when he returns to London to-day, will see Lord Halifax who is also returning from Yorkshire.

The Premier will also discuss the situation with other Cabinet Members and experts.

By Tuesday, the Foreign Office will have received the official reactions of European capitals to Sir John Simon's speech and there may be some indication as to whether the Sudeten Germans are likely to adopt a more conciliatory attitude in reply to Dr. Hodza's new offer, which official quarters in London hope will meet with a constructive response. — Reuter.

BRITISH AMBASSADOR RECALLED FOR CONSULTATION

London, To-day.

The British Ambassador to Germany, Sir Neville Henderson, recalled for consultation, arrived in London yesterday and will meet Lord Halifax to-day. — Reuter.

NOT A CAUSE FOR ALARM

London, To-day.

Sir Neville Henderson's return is not interpreted in authoritative quarters in London as indicating a sudden cause for alarm over the Czechoslovak situation.

The German attitude is a problem that is being closely watched and Sir Neville Henderson will have the opportunity of informing Lord Halifax of the reception accorded in Berlin to Sir John Simon's Lanark speech.

It has been authoritatively stated that Britain is sparing no effort to keep open the way to reasonable mediation. — Reuter.

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Nazi Congress At Stuttgart: Hess And Sudetens

Stuttgart, To-day.

The Congress of the Nationalist Socialist foreign organisation opened here yesterday in the presence of the Fuehrer's deputy, Rudolf Hess, the Minister of the Interior Dr. Frick, the President of the Privy Council, Konstantin von Neurath and the leader of the Foreign Organisation, Wilhelm Bohle.

In his opening address Herr Bohle declared that with few exceptions Germans abroad were faithful adherents of the National Socialist Reich and those who still refused to affiliate themselves with the movement could only be regarded as traitors.

Attacking the foreign press for the alleged assignment of false aims and ideals to the Foreign Organisation, the speaker called attention to organisations fostered by citizens of other countries who carried on their existence outside the frontiers of the mother country. In a dramatic conclusion Bohle declared.

"We know and the entire world must realize that whether we are in Germany or the farthest corner of the world, one name dominates our whole existence, a name that is hated by many and loved by millions and respected by all, the word that has given significance to our work and our life: Adolf Hitler.

NAZI IDEOLOGY

Rudolf Hess also referred to the alleged misinterpretation of the aims of the Foreign Organisation current. He declared that the Germans abroad never attempted to interfere with the affairs of other countries. Defending the National Socialist ideology against the charge of the loss of individual freedom, the speaker stated:

"Let the Democracies write and speak about individual freedom but nevertheless the individual in the so-called authoritarian States achieves more than elsewhere in the world.

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ANSCHLUSS

Giving his interpretation of the Austrian Anschluss, the speaker stated that while enjoying the favour of democracies of the world a small minority in Austria terrorized six and half a million persons until a State with an authoritarian Government or in other words dictatorship enabled the people to express their own will thus consummating a democratic act.

The speaker went on to accuse many countries of imitating practices and theories which had been tried out in authoritarian states, including methods in State control of production measures for combatting unemployment and others.

It has even happened, he asserted, that while denouncing Fascism and National Socialism, foreign politicians have stolen ideas of social policy directly from Hitler's book "Mein Kampf."

Touching up the Sudeten German problem the Fuehrer's deputy declared: We observe with admiration how you preserve discipline in the face of chicanery as well as terror and murder. We are with you in heart. Yours is the right of three and half a million Germans to form and conduct your life in a manner appropriate to your membership in the great German family.—Trans-Ocean.

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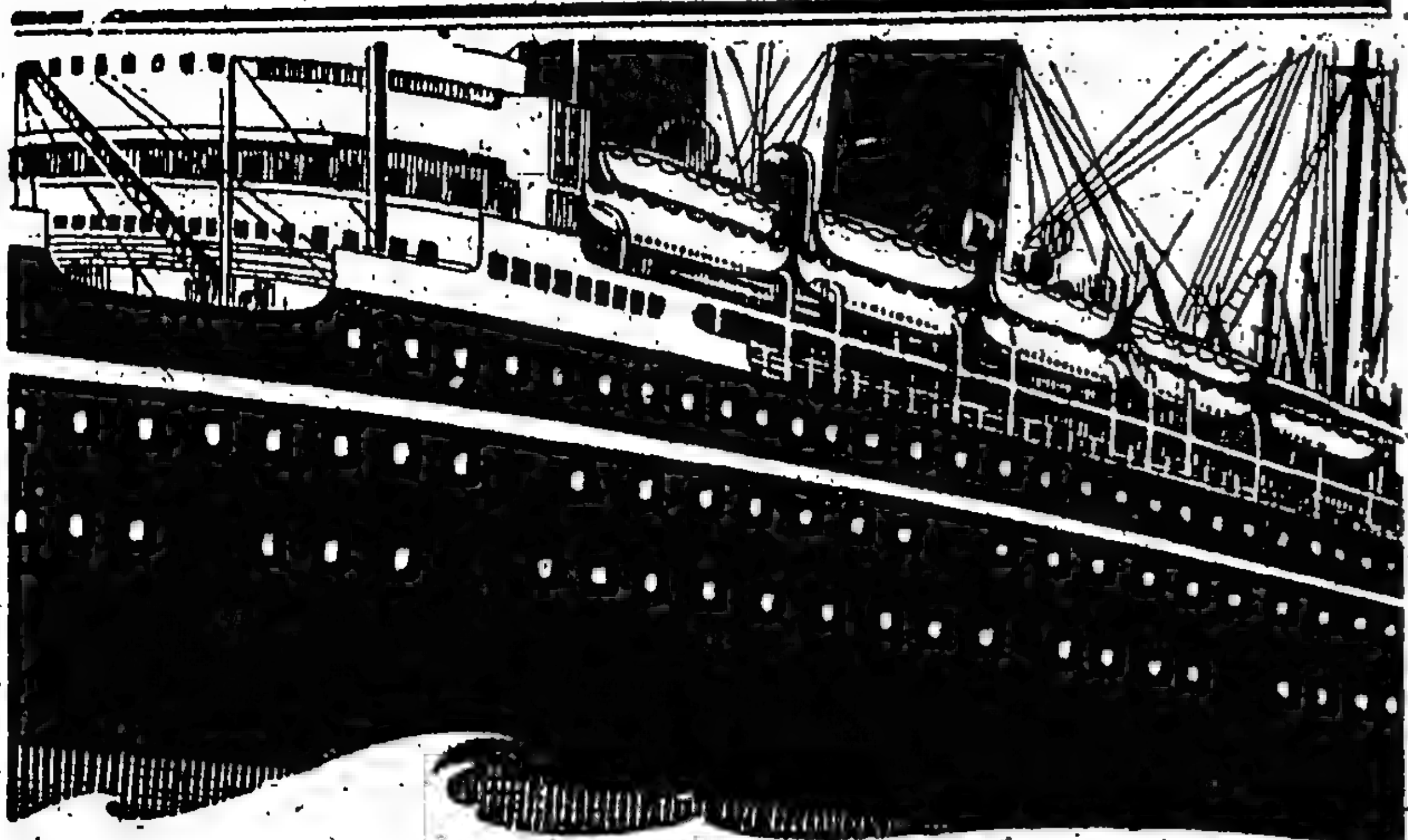
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Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 24th Aug.	Imperial Airways Plane.....	August 30.
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Tuesday		
Kongmoon.....	On Lee.....	Tues., Aug. 30, 10 a.m.
Samshui and Wuchow.....	Kongning.....	Tues., Aug. 30, 8.15 a.m.
Fort Bayard and *Haiphong.....	Jean Dupuis.....	Tues., Aug. 30, 8.30 a.m.
Shanghai and Japan.....	Eumacus.....	Tues., Aug. 30, 1.30 p.m.
Haiphong.....	Canton.....	Tues., Aug. 30, 2.00 p.m.
Swatow and *Amoy.....	Haiching.....	Tues., Aug. 30, 2.00 p.m.
*Swatow, *Shanghai and Tientsin.....	Sandviken.....	Tues., Aug. 30, 2.30 p.m.
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Wednesday		
Amoy.....	Shantung.....	Wed., Aug. 31, 10.30 a.m.
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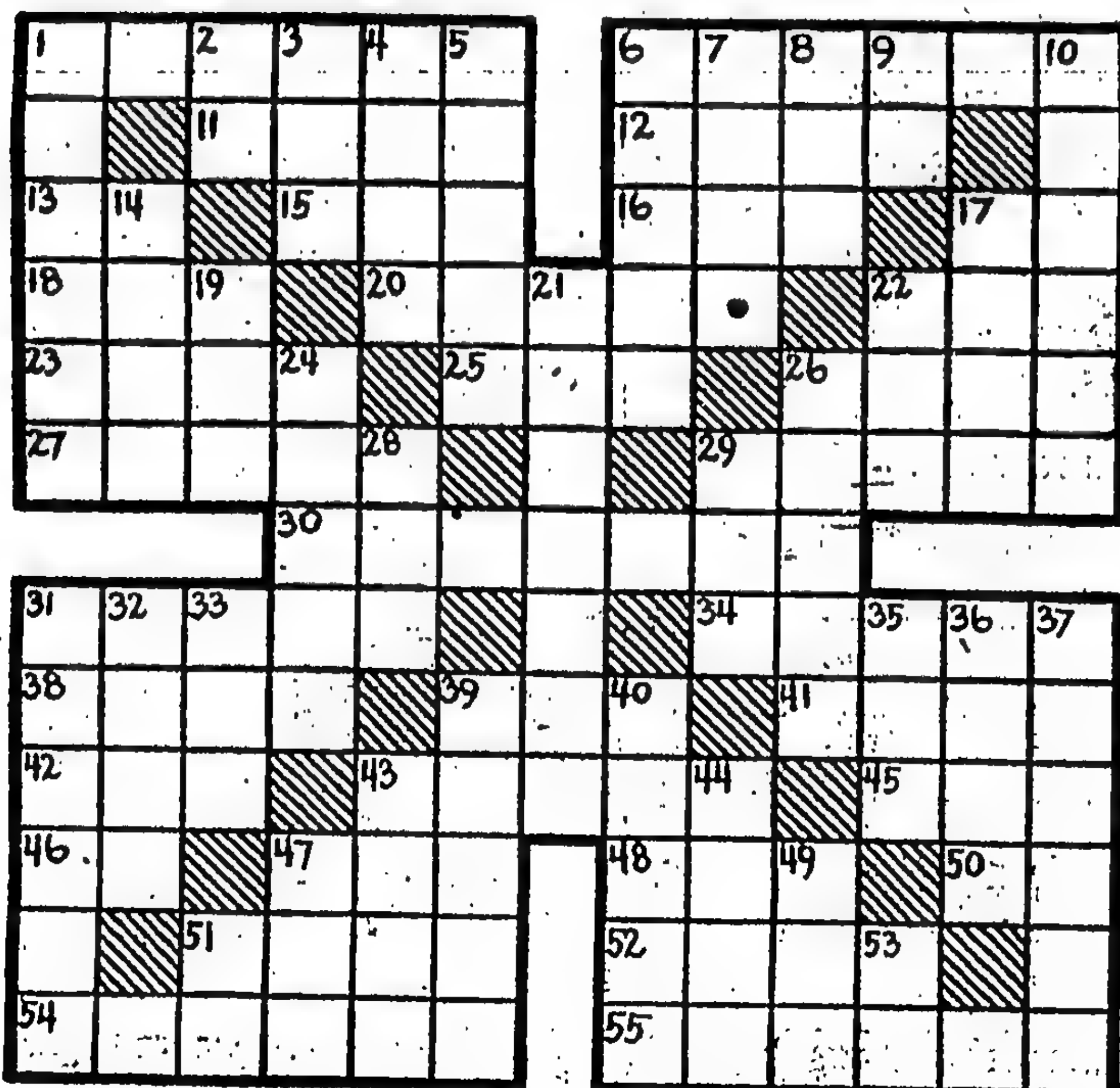
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12-Paper measure
13-Very
15-At present
16-Hostelry
17-Pronoun
18-End
20-Leases
22-Before
23-Elders son of Isaac (Bible)
25-Fish eggs
26-Greek god of love
27-Blemishes
29-Slope
30-Grow smaller toward the end
31-Horse
34-Allocates the duties of
35-Lich

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 41-An uproar
42-A grain
43-Thin out, as a vein
45-June-bug
46-Conjunction
47-Part of a fish
48-Doze
50-Negative
51-Debar
52-Large plant
54-Gazes
55-Decide

VERTICAL

- 1-Joked
2-Egyptian god
3-Alcoholic beverage
4-Boat
5-More recent
6-Stale
7-Fowls
8-Moved swiftly
9-Type measure
10-Hate

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 14-River in N. France
17-Piece
18-Woodland spirit
21-Small note
22-Epoch
24-Speak
26-Senior
28-Sorrowful
29-Make by needle and thread
31-Propels with sudden force
32-Rend
33-Consumes
35-Assist
36-Mid-day
37-Struggled
38-Repairs
40-Canvas shelters
43-Wish for
44-Uncommon
47-Distant
49-Fit of peevishness
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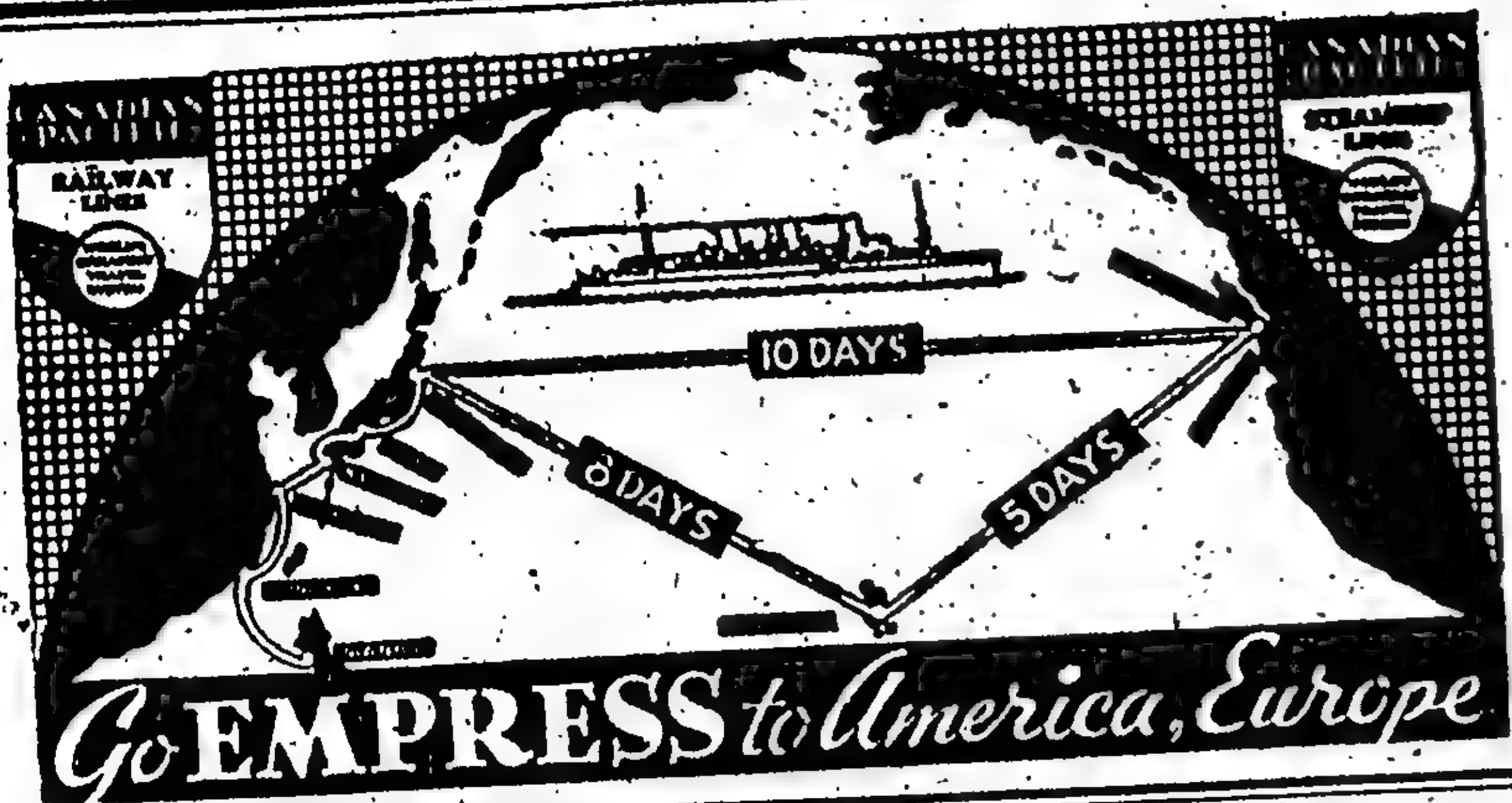
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The best match to-day will probably be the doubles encounter between E. C. Fincher and A. V. Remedios and Paul Kong and Tinnie Kwok, which the former pair are favoured to win.

TO-DAY'S MATCHES

The following are to-day's fixtures:

Court No. 11.—Wong Fook-nam v. Major F. T. Baines.

Court No. 12.—S. A. Gray v. Major L. A. Newnam.

Court No. 17.—E. C. Fincher and A. V. Remedios v. Paul Kong and Tinnie Kwok.

Court No. 18.—I. Agafuroff and J. Pengelly v. R. C. S. Allin and J. R. R. Jenkins.

Court No. 19.—Pang Oi-lam and Mok Fuk-in v. H. W. Lee and S. W. Liang.

Umpires must be found by the first-named player or pair in each match, who will also be responsible for handing in the result to the member of the U.S.R.C. Tennis Committee on duty.

If matches scheduled for any day have to be postponed, owing to the weather, they will be played on the first following day which is fit for play and schedules for succeeding days' play will be altered accordingly.

Play must commence each day at 5.15 p.m. sharp.

EX-OFFICER WHO STOLE FIANCEE'S GOLF CLUBS SENT TO BORSTAL

An ex-public school boy and former R.A.F. officer, Neville George Clevely Heath, 21, pleaded guilty at the Old Bailey recently to a number of charges, which included stealing a bag of golf clubs, belonging to his fiancée and stealing valuables worth £51 from the house of a friend.

The Recorder, Mr. Gerald Dodson, sent Heath to Borstal for three years and told him: "This is a tragic record. There were such bright prospects, but now you have spoilt it all."

"There is only one chance for you and that is your own instincts to do right. I cannot believe you have lost all of them at your early age."

Mr. J. Burge, prosecuting, said that in February Heath stole a car in which there were 25 cheques, from a woman at Pevensey Bay, Sussex. He drove about the country and obtained lodgings and various articles in Sussex, Somerset and Leicestershire.

He stayed at an hotel in Richmond, with his fiancée, and obtained credit to the extent of £12. Afterwards he went off with his fiancée's golf clubs.

FORGED BANKER'S DRAFT

He signed a banker's draft in the name of an officer in the R.A.F. whom he had known at Duxford, and obtained clothing from a firm of tailors.

Heath also broke into the house at Edgware of a man he knew and stole jewellery and other articles worth £51. The friend was on holiday at Brighton at the time, and next day Heath coolly went to stay at the same hotel.

In a statement Heath said that after leaving the R.A.F. in 1937 he was convicted for obtaining goods by false pretences and afterwards found it difficult to get work.

He got a job with a well-known firm under an assumed name but had to leave.

"I have no excuse for what I have done," the statement concluded.

Detective Briscoll said that in November, 1937, Heath was bound over at Nottingham for attempting to obtain a motor by false pretences, and eight other offences at Stamford, Cambridge, and Peterborough were taken into consideration.

He was educated at a public school and in March, 1936, joined the R.A.F. as an officer. He obtained a commission as a pilot officer, but was dismissed by a court-martial after his civil conviction in 1937.

LOCAL DOLLAR

The demand rate on the Hong Kong dollar to-day was 1/2%.

"Spot" silver was quoted in London at 19-5/16 and forward at 19-1/8.

The London on New York rate was quoted at £—U.S.\$4.8787, and the New York on London rate at £—U.S.\$4.875-1/16.

LOCAL SHARE

Following is the list of changes and enquiries in local share quotations this morning:—

INSURANCES

Canton Ins. \$225 b.
Union Ins. \$512½ b.
H. K. Fire Ins. \$210 b.

SHIPPING

Union Waterboats \$9.10 b.

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ETC.

H. K. and K. Wharves \$130 b.
H. K. Docks (Old) \$20¼ b.

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Atamoks Ps. .38 sa.
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San Mauricio Ps. .64 sa.
Suyoc Consol. Ps. .18½ sa.
United Paracales Ps. .35 sa.

LANDS, HOTELS & BLDGS.

H. K. and S. Hotels \$7.20 b.
H. K. Lands \$38¾ b., \$39 sa.
Humphreys \$9½ b.
H. K. Realities \$5.90 b.

PUBLIC UTILITIES

H. K. Tramways \$17.45 b., \$17.45½ sa.
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Sandakan Lights \$9.30 b.
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Dairy Farms \$28¼ b., \$28.80 sa.
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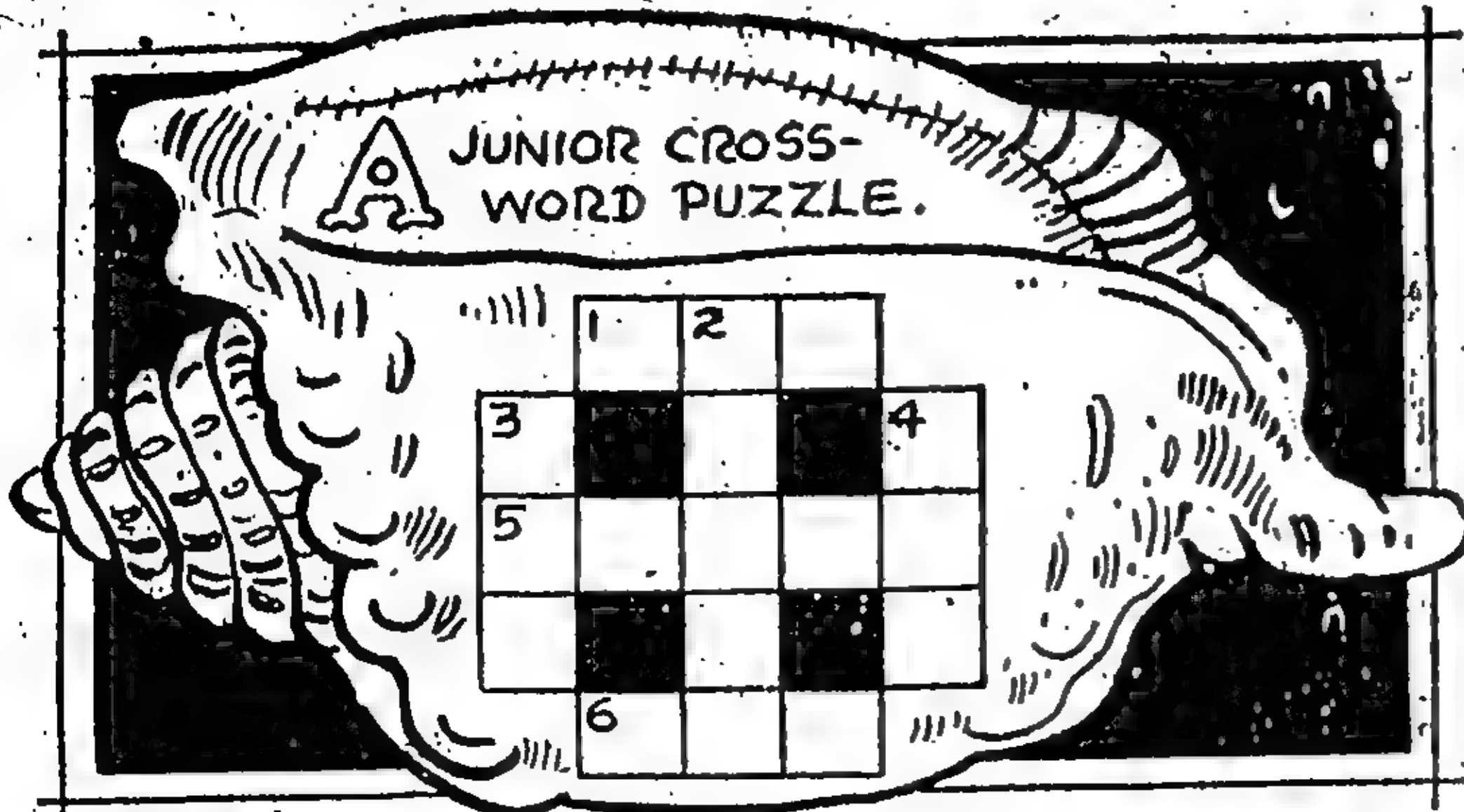
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Entertainments \$6¼ b.
Vibro Piling \$3.85 sa.
H. K. Govt. 4% Loan 6½ pm. b.
H. K. Govt. 8¼% Loan 1¼ pm. b.
Marsmans Inv. (H.K.) 3/4-8/4 b.

CHILDREN'S PUZZLE



ACROSS—1, TO PUT INTO PRACTISE;
5, THE GREAT BODY OF WATER
THAT COVERS ABOUT TWO-THIRDS OF THE
EARTH'S SURFACE; 6, ARTFUL IN DOING
THINGS SECRETLY.

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OF A CRAB; 3, SALT WATER FOOD-
FISH; 4, FINISH.

Answer to-morrow.

EYSTON'S
SMASHES
RECORD

THUNDERBOLT'S
345.49 M.P.H.

AMAZING LAND
SPEED MARK

Bonneville Salt Flats, Aug. 27.
Captain George Eyston, the
famous British racing driver, driving
his Thunderbolt, established a
new world's land speed record to-
day by averaging 345.49 miles an
hour, covering the measured mile
in 10.42 seconds.

On his northward trip, Captain
Eyston averaged 347.49 m.p.h.,
covering the mile in 10.36 seconds,
and on the southward run averaged
345.51 m.p.h., completing the
mile in 10.48 seconds. The pre-
vious mile record was 311.42 m.p.h.
Eyston's speed for the kilometre aver-
aged 345.21 m.p.h., in 6.48 seconds. On
the northward run he averaged 346.81
m.p.h. in 6.45 seconds, and on the
southward run 344.15 m.p.h. in 6.50
seconds. The former record for the
kilometre was 312.00 m.p.h.

GRAND RECEPTION

Eyston was accorded a grand recep-
tion at the timing stand, hundreds
clambering over each other in efforts
to shake his hand. "I was never in
difficulties during the runs," he said,
"and am tremendously pleased at
breaking the record because it repre-
sents a notable advance technically.
Now that we are learning more about
the car, we are finding each outing
more interesting and productive of use-
ful information." Capt. Eyston added
that he never had the throttle full out
and that the Thunderbolt was capable
of even greater speeds.

The car shot through the measured
mile like an arrow, leaving showers of
salt spray in its wake. Capt. Eyston
may make further attempts to increase
the record later.—Reuter.

INDIA BEAT
MALAYA IN
GUTIERREZ
SHIELD MATCH

India led from the very start and
at the 11th head were 14 shots to
5 ahead, but in the next three
heads, Malaya had levelled the
scores with a three, two and a four.

A. R. Dallah was outstanding for
the losing team.

For India, Hoosen and Khan were
consistently good and laid the

foundation for the victory.

The following are the detailed
scores:—

India		Malaya	
J. Hoosen	A. M. Wahab		
D. M. Khan	A. Bakar		
A. R. Minu	M. R. Abbas		
A. K. Minu (skip)	A. R. Dallah (skip)		
Head	Shots	Total	Shots
1	0	0	1
2	1	1	0
3	1	2	0
4	0	2	3
5	0	2	1
6	1	3	0
7	2	5	0
8	3	8	0
9	1	9	0
10	1	10	0
11	4	14	0
12	0	14	3
13	0	14	2
14	0	14	4
15	1	15	0
16	1	16	0
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20	2	20	0
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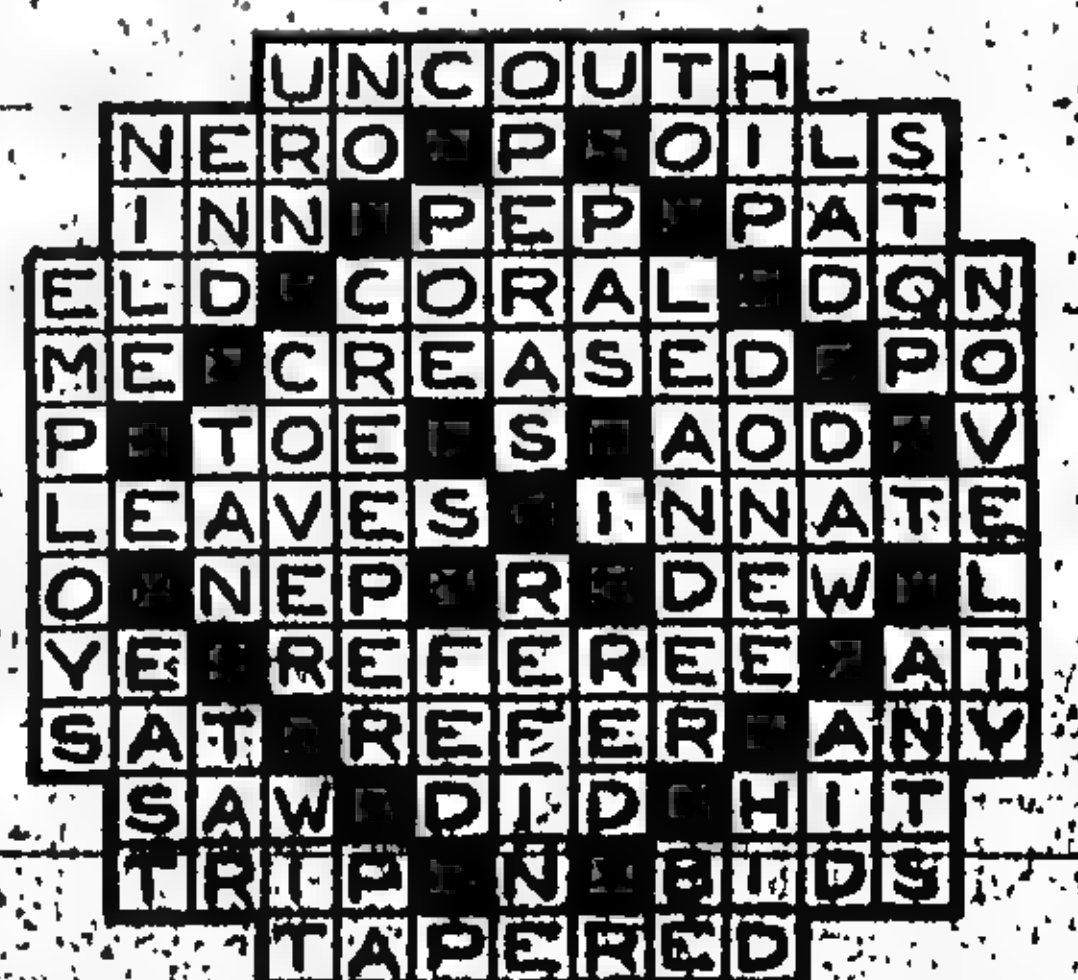
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Bowen Road (Alterbeds)	297

SATURDAY'S SOLUTION



We Have Partnership More Like England

Leyland, What A Batsman! And Young Hutton

C. B. FRY Says--

(EXCLUSIVE TO "CHINA MAIL")

C. B. Fry, the well known authority on international cricket, continues his series of comments on the England-Australia Test matches in the "China Mail," the first day's play in the Fifth Test match appearing to-day.

Oval, August 20.

The reason why Kennington Oval is oval is that they laid out a pitch, set up the stumps and drew the boundary by using each wicket as the focus of an ellipse.

Few people know this. You can try it out by sticking two pins in a large piece of cardboard, tying a thread to each, and drawing a pencil round at the end of the loop.

The pavilion is at one end of the egg. And thence we survey the large area of turf bounded by a circumference of white board like a polo ground.

Behind the board-line there is an all-round tier of democratic concrete seats where people can stand. Outside the pavilion and its annexes there are small stands.

So, friends, the Oval is no stadium. Unless, of course, you count the modern flats all round, and the mountainous grey gasometer on the middle right.

I observe the television view-finding Eiffel Tower at the Vauxhall end. I observe the brown-green strip in the centre where Hutton and Edrich will face their task of giving us a Test start.

For our bully-boy of a captain has won the toss again. He had, of course, an even chance of doing; every time you toss, so it is; other tosses do not affect the present probability.

Leyland, Bowler

Well, we have left out Goddard and Fagg. Wright and Ames had left themselves out by accident. Wood is in for Ames. No one is included in place of Wright; because Leyland and

Walter Hammond are counted as bowlers.

I hate the absence of Leslie Ames. He is one of our two or three likeliest men for a century. He is real class; he has long experience.

And I wish I were to see Charles Barnett walk out as No. 1. That man should be here.

With the weather doubtful the choice of innings is a bull-point. Shall we use our opportunity? Now, Hutton and Edrich, take your chance for Merry England.

Out come Australia, Don Bradman running ahead for the ball, the bald head of O'Reilly topping the bunch that follows.

Hullo! McCormick is not in the band. And Arthur Mailey tells me he has neuritis in his shoulder. Well, that balances our bad luck with Ames.

Arthur Mailey also says that this is the strongest eleven Australia have sent into the field.

Where is Charles Barnett, with McCormick away? I sigh.

So it is that Waite, that much-improved right-hand bowler, begins from the Vauxhall end, and Stanley McCabe takes off the shine this end.

No fault to find in the first few overs. Hutton and Edrich seem comfortable. The wicket seems true and sound, but not over fast. But we cannot gauge the wicket till the early bloom is off.

Youngest Opening Pair

McCabe and Waite look to me like two ordinary county bowlers; good practice for class batsmen. And I hope our batsmen are such; as well as the youngest pair that ever opened an innings for England.

And now the first quarter of an hour is over. We have scored five runs. We have seen nothing to frighten us.

The test will come when the great O'Reilly takes the ball from McCabe.

No. I see nothing terrible as yet. Both batsmen are playing sound, hap-

Test Ticket Profiteers

Notice distributed by handbills at the Test match at Kennington Oval to-day read:

"To protect the public, the committee of Surrey County Cricket Club have made every effort to prevent seat tickets getting into the hands of 'profiteers.' Unfortunately they have not been entirely successful.

"They would be much obliged if anyone who has paid a premium for a ticket would send a postcard to the Secretary, Surrey County Cricket Club, Kennington Oval, S.E.11., giving the stand, row and number of the seat (or give this information verbally at the office).

"This will enable the committee to trace the original purchaser and prevent supplies reaching him in the future."

py cricket. But these two bowlers would not have been able to trundle thus with no man in the deep field to Stanley Jackson, Archie Maclaren or Tom Hayward. No, sir.

Jack Hobbs tells me he saw the wicket yesterday, and wished he were to bat on it. One to carry about in one's bag. He also thinks that Charles Barnett would have had a beano.

But no complaints have we of our junior members. Hutton is shaping with Herbertian confidence and calm. Edrich is neat and ready for strokes; and has already handed his cap to umpire Chester.

Two excellent players these, of the clever modern cut; but I would like to see a firm, straight drive now and then, off these practice bowlers.

That phase is ended; the O'Reilly displaces Waite, and Fleetwood will displace McCabe. So now we are at grips.

The O'Reilly starts with a no-ball and Hutton clouts it. I do hope our youngsters will treat him as a straight bowler, but keep their eye on his deceptions of pace and flight. Don't play at that whirling arm and rolling hand, my lads; play at the ball itself.

Yes, Fleetwood is now engaged from the pavilion end. He is a curio, and one never knows; but I do not fancy him as a dangerous on the Oval wicket. The O'Reilly is the bowler we have to mind.

There he is, loping up with his springy, long strides, wrapping up his intentions in a rolling right hand, swinging his long, loose right arm, like the spoke of a wobbling wheel.

Accurate always, hostile ever; intentional with every ball he emits from his capacious grip. One cannot help admiring his mastery of his craft, even when one is wishing him a trouncing. He is one of the old sort. Deceptive flight is the mark of the first-rate bowler.

Misjudged The Pace

Yes; and he has done the trick. Young Edrich has shifted his feet too soon, has misjudged the pace of the ball, has missed the back stroke, and he is out l.b.w. Better a Barnett bang over O'Reilly's head than that.

England have lost one possible century, and the total is a silly 29 runs. He played well enough did Edrich; but he has not yet awhile enough power for this class of cricket.

So now we welcome the sturdy frame and firm tramp of Maurice Leyland. Yorkshire to the rescue.

Young Hutton is playing well. I like him to-day. He looks to me a match for the O'Reilly. A cool hand, this Hutton, and a quick blade.

The first hour is over. I have seen excellent craftsmanship by that fine bowler O'Reilly. I have seen sterling and proper batsmanship by young Hutton. That is all I have seen to make this a Test match.

What was wanted in this game was a powerful batsman to attack O'Reilly in his first spell of bowling.

No Hurrying

So much for that. The next point is that Maurice has started in promising style. He does not look up an

inch; he does not hurry his runs; but he is solid and firm; he gives her the middle of the lobe of his bat.

Then, again, Fleetwood, as I expected, could not work this sort of wicket, and has retired in favour of Waite.

Frankly, we have a chance of a big total if only we collar the situation. We have only to keep O'Reilly out of mischief, and our runs should accrue in quantities. We are not up against any bowling a Freshman at Oxford need fear—bar O'Reilly.

And O'Reilly is playable enough if you do not play at his arm. There is nothing in the turf to help him.

Hutton is a good lad. He is timing his strokes one and all. He has unfolded an off drive worthy of Lionel Palairet. He has already justified his inclusion.

And now the O'Reilly is resting. Fleetwood takes on from the far end. I hope he will not jostle Maurice into a leg-before. Maurice is a trifle by way of walking round the line of the ball.

Good for young Hutton. Another old-time off-drive. Graceful as a waving birch tree, and a sound like a wooden gong.

Don't think I say that Fleetwood is not bowling up to his name. He is bowling quite properly; but the wicket is not the kind to help him to his effects. He needs faster turf; he needs something for his spin to catch hold of.

He may get a wicket or two, but he is easy enough to play.

Ringling Clouts

The total is 56; Hutton has 34 and Leyland 16. And the next over our Maurice plants two left-handed off drives to the far white board. Clean, ringling clouts at the expense of Fleetwood.

Our Maurice is a good boy to-day, and is in good form. He has only had one try to run himself out.

The next point of note is the return of the Irish giant. This is a crucial phase. If the two Yorkshiremen can keep the crease for the next 20 minutes, we may reckon ourselves well placed.

I assure you, bar O'Reilly (who has to use an unhelpful wicket), there is nothing in the way of our batsmen.

Wright—No Break

Ames and Wright, the two injured players, were among the early arrivals at the Oval.

Wright, who had his finger heavily bandaged, said the X-ray examination revealed that the bone is not broken.

Fleetwood is damped out by the easy pace of a true wicket. Waite is just a decent practice bowler. Whom else have they?

It stands out a fathom now that the loss of McCormick's fast bowling is a heavy deficit. Though on this wicket he ought not to have been dangerous, still his absence makes a big hole in the Australian side.

I have always said that the bowling of this Australian team is thin. I say so again. Never should they beat our picked eleven. Never.

Ten minutes to go, and we have Fleetwood again from our end. I do not mind him; I mind this working Irishman, O'Reilly, who is doubling his spiteful elaborations of flight and well-rolled spin.

He is a perpetual threat. Yet I see nothing terrible in him. It is just a question of not playing at his arm instead of at the ball.

I repeat the point; it is the whole gist of the situation of our batting versus their bowling.

McCormick Mystery

A little bird has told me that McCormick might have been dropped from the Australian side anyway; he has lost his pace.

Either way, the Australian selectors ought to be sorry for themselves at half-past six to-night. I say ought; not necessarily will.

Fleetwood is bowling the last over to our Maurice. Our Maurice is sitting tight. He has sat on five balls and smacked the sixth. An intentional snick to leg, called a glide when the batsman is on your own side.

(Continued on Page 19)



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AUSSIE BOWLING GETS ITS DESERTS

C.B. FRY SAYS—Fingleton, On The Card, Bats No. 7

(Continued from Page 18).

So the morning has not gone so badly. We have lost a good man; we have two better men still there. The total is 89. Hutton has 39 of these and Maurice has 35.

Young Hutton has played confident, graceful, attractive and efficient cricket. I give him high marks.

Maurice Leyland has exhibited that he is still the batsman who has saved and won Test matches for England. The sight of his sturdy skill is a pleasure; he is a visible sheet anchor of hope.

Escape For Hutton

To return. Hutton has given us an immediate shock. Young Hutton, the Herbertian, the cool, the collected—what?

Hutton danced out yards at Fleetwood, missed his drive and escaped. The ball beat Ben Barnett as it beat the bat. If the lad does not get his century now he ought to be ducked under a waterfall in Wharfedale.

In the interval an Australian told me that there is nothing the matter with McCormick. He is just left out. Well, I am surprised; and I should say that the South Sea selectors are led astray by some recent successes of Waite against the Counties.

Hutton celebrates his escape by a couple of lovely drives. Nor is sturdy Maurice behindhand with heavy strokes. So on goes the hundred in a few overs. This is much more fun.

Where is McCormick? Another shock. Maurice dips at one of O'Reilly's dragged temptations. He is clean bowled—but the ball is a no-ball, and our shock was a fake.

The Don realises that he has to rely on O'Reilly for all the real work. He is finessing with him; a short spell and then a rest.

Maurice is well on the move. He is all his old self. A nice batsman to omit from an England XI? He is at 49, and Hutton at 47.

Hullo—O'Reilly has only changed ends. He is on instead of Fleetwood and bowls at Maurice, who tickles (the modern term) a single to fine leg, and registers half of his century. Good lad. And he has played proper, manly cricket; steady but firm.

I wish he would back up, say a couple of feet.

More luck for young Hutton. At 48 he cuts McCabe clean through the wicketkeeper's hands for the required couple. A very fine cut; a hard tickle. But it would have been a brilliant catch if held.

Surely now our Herbertian will emulate the master and proceed to three figures in untroubled and imperial unconcern?

Maurice has started trying horrid little short runs. I hope nothing untoward will occur.

I like Maurice more sedate. He has not the figure for jockeying.

This Hutton uses a very pronounced overturn of the wrists as bat meets ball; what Dr. Forrest calls "Wringing the Towel."

The knack of this overturn does accelerate the bat on impact; it gives a very lively fillip to the stroke. Lucky or no, this Hutton lad is a beautiful batsman, and quite indispensable to our England eleven. Why had he got to be crooked for Leeds?

Whack! Maurice has punched a confidential straight drive off Waite; and that bowler just asks for such treatment. How dare he serve up this ordinary practice stuff with no man in the outfield? No one; but an Australian would have the impudence.

More Like England

Our pair are scoring neck and neck. Both register 60 runs with the total 140. This is more like England; more like the deserts of this Australian bowling—bar O'Reilly.

Waite is now exploiting his new style; he is figuring as a round-the-wicket off-spin bowler like Tom Goddard. He does not look to me much of a danger. Perky, of course, and expectant. But where is the spin off the pitch?

The Don is a first-rate tactician as to the placing of the field. Quite excellent—except that he allows Waite

England selectors were influenced in their final team choosing (says Bruce Harris) by the fact that Hammond, who earlier in the season strained a leg, would be able to bowl again.

The problem was to compensate in batting for the absence of Ames, and, at the same time, make the fielding as strong as possible.

Hence the decision to play Hardstaff, a fine outfielder.

If Peter Smith or Goddard had been brought in it could have been done only at the expense of Farnes or Bowes.

To-day in the pavilion I picked up a sixpence. Sir Pelham Warner was standing by "Let me give it to Hammond for luck," he said.

To Hammond it went.

The Australian batting order as printed in the score card is inter-

esting. Bradman of course may not adhere to it, but it shows Fingleton, one of the usual openers, at No. 7, with Badcock as Brown's opening partner.

Both Badcock and Fingleton have done moderately in previous Tests; a change may be good for both. Bradcock has had lots of experience as an opener.

O'Reilly, in dismissing Edrich, secured his hundredth wicket in England v. Australia Test matches.

Only eight bowlers have done this—Rhodes (109), Barnes (106), and Peel (102), for England; Trumble (141), Noble (115), Grimmett (106), Giffen (103) and Turner (101), for Australia.

When the total reached 218, Hutton and Leyland had achieved an English second-wicket record for matches against Australia. The previous best was 188 by Sutcliffe and Hammond at Sydney in 1932.

to bowl with no man straight in the deep. Otherwise the arrangement of positions is clever. Just unconventional enough to be both economical and troublesome.

Hutton pushes up the 150. This, with only one wicket down, is healthy.

Call On Barnes

The Yorkshire partnership has realised 150 out of the 179 runs on the board.

Australia, the country of great bowlers, have called upon their S. Barnes. He bowls slow-medium right-hand ordinaries.

By all the omens Australia are now in for an outing. Barnes has never bowled before in a first-class match in England; he opens his career in a Test match.

He may get a wicket; but I would like to have a bat at Barnes myself; just to see if any of the old strokes are still available.

And this is the team we allow to divide the "Ashes" with us; unless we allow this team to walk away with the bin. Well, I never!

Consequently Hutton, flogging a long hop, reaches 97. Fancy being at 97 in a Test match and being favoured by the bowling of batsman Barnes!

Hutton Walks To 100

Hutton is now at 98, facing Fleetwood, but plays a maiden over. Maurice scores a single. Then Hutton goes to 99. Then he has another chance at Barnes, and easily walks home.

So he has blooded himself well in runs as an earnest of a prolific future at the expense of Australia's bowlers. He is a thoroughly first-rate batsman, with style, confidence and resolution.

I hope Herbert sends him a telegram saying, "Bravo, Len." Or whatever the phrase is.

Meanwhile the 200 is up and Maurice is at 87. But Maurice is not favoured with any more of Barnes. McCabe takes over. So with Waite at the other end we cannot call Maurice unfortunate.

As, by Australian request, this match has no time limit, I suggest that our side may as well make some eight hundred runs. Such a score is on the cards, against such bowling as this.

By the way, I suppose our visitors are not kidding us, for fear we should come to regard the "ashes" as cinders not worth collecting?

Up By Singles

Maurice is now 98 and Curator Waite serves him up with a swift bumper that clears his head and the keepers for boundary byes.

He steals a single off McCabe and again faces Waite, whom he can play with a toothpick. However, he does nothing but bag the over with another single.

He has wasted time. The old schoolmaster O'Reilly reappears; and about time.

The O'Reilly is another proposition altogether in the nineties. True O'Reilly offers a no-ball as his first; but Maurice hits the air too hard and it keeps for boundary byes.

Our Maurice is not going to hurry for anybody or anything.

Before he can escape from his 95 his young pal, Hutton, has made good a 200 partnership. And Maurice tells us in strokes that in the nineties he believes in singles. Here a one and there a one; and no larks.

But, by Jove, what a batsman he is! The idea of leaving him out of our England XI!

He now has a chance at Fleetwood, who comes on instead of Waite. He needs four runs. He takes a single. Then he has another chance, but overforces a full pitch without result.

So he digs out another little single. This puts him opposite O'Reilly, with two runs to make. Of course, he pushes a single to extra cover, and has to look at Fleetwood again.

Off him, after a killed stroke or two, he scores a grand four past mid-off, making his individual score 108.

He has played a great and characteristic innings. He has got back that off-drive of his which for a time he forgot how to reproduce.

And within five minutes down comes an April shower which empties the field.

Real Sidney Barnes

During the shower Douglas Jardine told me that he asked the real Sidney Barnes the Old 'un, what he thought of the new Sidney as a bowler. The Old 'un replied: "All right, just for passing the time."

They are out again now, and no sawdust. Fleetwood is Pavillonising. O'Reilly Vauxhalling. We are approaching 250 for one wicket. Up goes that honourable figure.

Nothing occurs of note or of change except that Maurice, between his best strokes, cuts and drives, runs short runs without calling and gives us the momentary needle.

I wish he would not jest in that perilous manner. Each batsman marks 118. That usually means mischief. But Maurice calmly beats the covers gate with a punch off O'Reilly and Hutton clears the gate with a single. So all is well.

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Unremitting O'Reilly is accorded a rest. He has bowled with admirable zeal and his usual skill. Worth watching all the time.

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Bruen Beats Own Record

James Bruen, who held the amateur record for the reconstructed Portmarnock course—73, made in the last Irish Open Golf Championship—beat it by three strokes on August 11.

Bruen, whose fine form helped Munster to win the first inter-provincial match, was out in 36 and home in 34, his figures being:—

Out—4 4 4 5 4 4 3 4 4=36
In—4 3 3 5 4 4 4 4 3=34

He equalled his old record later, while J. C. Brown (Munster) lowered it by one.

Only one Open Championship tee was in use, but the others were longer than usual. A strong wind made conditions difficult.



LARWOOD'S ABSENCE DUE TO KNEE TROUBLE

London, August 7., (By Air Mail). — The Nottinghamshire County Cricket Club have, through their secretary, Mr. H. A. Brown, announced the fact that Larwood's prolonged absence from the game is due to continued knee trouble. "Larwood has repeatedly been examined by a specialist, who certified him unfit to bowl at the present time," stated Mr. Brown yesterday.

FARNES TAKES 7 FOR 75 v. GLAMORGAN

London, Saturday.

The following were the close of play scores in first class matches which commenced to-day.

At Bournemouth: Notts 208 (Boyes 5 for 56) v. Hants 98 for 3.
At Dover: Yorkshire 326 for 8 v. Kent.
At Blackpool: Lancs. 338 for 7 (Hopwood 120) v. Warwick.
At Ashby-de-la-Zouch: Derby 309 (Worthington 106; Smith 5 for 75 v. Leicestershire 4 for 0.
At Lord's: Middlesex 241 v. Surrey 18 for 0.
At Worcester: Northants 200 v. Worcester v. Worcester 50 for 6.
At Clacton: Glamorgan 150 (Farnes 7 for 75 v. Essex 320 for 9.

—Reuter.

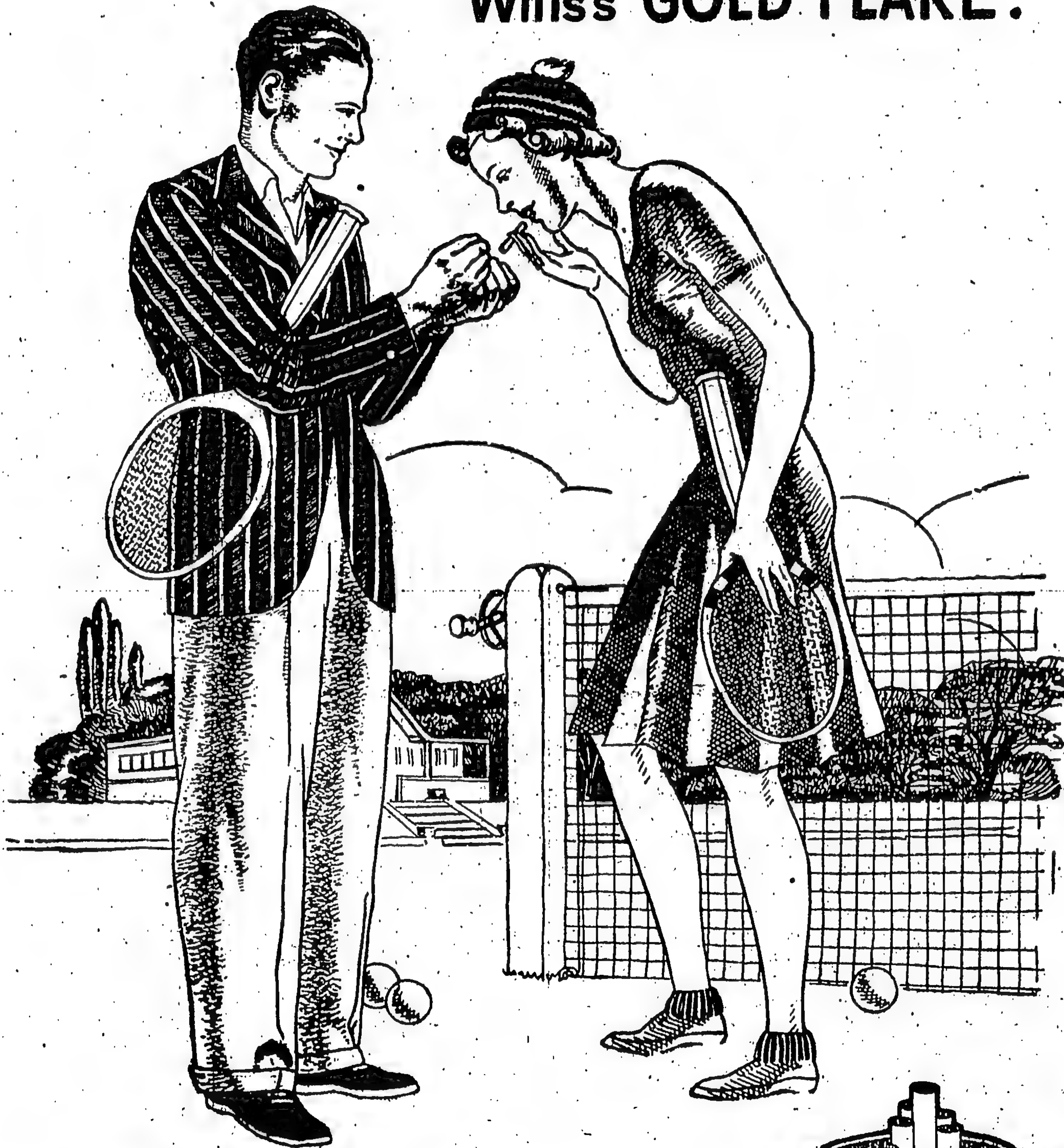
Harrow Captain's Feat

R. A. A. Holt, the captain, with the fine record of 101.11, heads the Harrow School batting averages. In 14 innings, five not out, he made 910 runs, and his highest score was 184 not out.

W. S. P. Lithgow, who scored 408 runs in 14 innings, two not out, is second with 41.50. His highest score was 95. Then follow R. C. Fenwick, 33.81; P. W. M. Dean, 25.80; A. O. L. Lithgow, 19.70; D. R. Hayward, 19; and H. A. Verney, 18.

F. C. Boulton heads the bowling list with 32 wickets at an average cost of 18.09; followed by R. M. Chaplin, five wickets, 19.40; D. R. Hayward, 39 wickets, 20.64; C. J. Sage, 20 wickets, 21.35; W. S. P. Lithgow, two wickets, 32; P. W. M. Dean, 14 wickets, 39.57; and D. G. G. Dussek nine wickets, 42.11.

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HOME CRICKET AVERAGES

OUR LONDON
AIR MAIL
SPORTS NEWSIreland's Choice For
International Golf
Matches

The Selection Committee of the Golfing Union of Ireland, meeting at Portmarnock Club, chose nine of the twelve representatives of Ireland to play in the international matches at Porthcawl, Wales, at the end of September, as follows:—

A. W. Briscoe (Castlereagh.)
J. C. Brown (Waterford.)
J. J. Bruen (Muskerry and Cork.)
J. Burke (Lahinch.)
R. C. Ewing (Co. Sligo.)
J. Fitzsimmons (Bushfoot.)
W. M. O'Sullivan (Dooks.)
G. H. Owens (Skerries.)
R. Simcox (Cork), captain.

British Women Players
Win In U.S.

The British Wightman Cup players, Miss K. Stammers and Miss Margot Lumb, two of the "seeded" overseas players, easily won their first round matches in the fourteenth annual Essex Country Club women's invitation tournament on August 15. Miss Stammers beat Miss Mariette Arguimbau, of Boston, by 6-1, 6-2, and Miss Lumb beat Mrs. Chatfield Whitman, of Boston, by 6-0 6-2.

In spite of the great heat Miss Stammers gave an impressive display. Miss Lumb also had a very easy victory, but she faces a sterner task in the next round, in which she meets Mrs. D. B. Andrus. Miss Stammers's next round opponent is Mrs. Donald E. Cameron (Worcester, Mass.), a former well-known Scottish player, and Canadian champion of some years ago.

Second round results:—

Miss Stammers (Great Britain) beat Mrs. D. E. Cameron (Worcester, Mass.), 6-0, 6-2.

Miss Lumb (Great Britain) beat Mrs. D. B. Andrus (U.S.A.), 6-4, 6-4.

Mrs. H. C. Hopman (Australia) beat Miss Lillian Warren (Beverly Farms, Mass.), 6-1, 6-1.

Raith Rovers' Costly
Lapses

Losing two goals within one minute just before half-time after having more than held their own in the preceding exchanges, Raith Rovers were defeated by Ayr United at Somerset Park, Ayr, on August 13 by two goals to one. That notwithstanding, the Kirkcaldy side created a good impression on their return to First Division football, and when they scored through Whitelaw eighteen minutes from the end, there seemed a possibility of them saving a point. Over-anxiety on the part of the forwards, who were prone to run off-side, combined with some steady back play by Dyer and Strain, and sound goalkeeping by Hall, prevented them securing the wanted goal, in a rousing closing rally.

If for no other reason than the manner in which Yardley, the Ayr centre-forward, snapped up his two scoring chances, the home club deserved their win, although they had much for which to thank Hall in goal. Yardley was the best of the United front rank, which was decidedly weak on the left. Dimmer, at inside right, might with advantage have played more to Ayr's only newcomer, Hope, from Clyde, who could not be judged on this game, so little did he get of the ball.

For the Rovers, McCreddie did well in goal, the Low, although beaten on occasion by the subtle Yardley, justified his inclusion at centre-half. Allan gave a sound display at right back, and Baxter and Cabrelli, the wing half-backs, recovered well after a shaky start. While the defence must take some blame for allowing Yardley his two scores, the forwards ought to have had a lead built up prior to that. Mackay, Whitelaw, and

HAMMOND
STILL
HEADS LISTBradman Maintains
High Figures

There are a few changes in the first class cricket averages up to and including August 13, Edrich, the England Test player, still lying second to W. R. Hammond, England's present Test skipper.

Bowes, of Yorkshire, still heads the English bowling figures, while Leyland, also of Yorkshire is second.

Bradman maintains his batting average at over the century mark to head the Australian figures, while Fleetwood Smith tops the Tourists' bowlers although O'Reilly is right on his heels.

County Averages

Batting
(Qualification: 16 innings, average 35)
Times Highest
Inns. N.O. Runs. Inns. Aver.

W. R. Hammond	31	2	2592	271	89.37
H. T. Bartlett	26	4	1358	175*	61.72
Edrich	38	4	1984	245	58.35
Paynter	40	5	1998	291	57.02
C. S. Dempster	18	0	1012	187	56.22
P. A. Gibb	26	2	1341	204	55.87
Fagg	43	4	2169	244	55.61
Hutton	27	4	1187	180	51.60
J. R. Thompson	18	1	858	191	50.47
T. N. Pearce	19	5	702	137*	50.14
Ames	17	1	761	170	47.56
Langridge (John)	44	4	1844	227	46.10
Whitfield	23	3	921	198	46.05
J. M. Lomas	21	1	908	124	45.40
Hardstaff	29	4	1131	162	45.24
Gibbons	46	6	1798	178	44.95
Oldfield	39	4	1569	137	44.82
Dollery	33	5	1234	134*	44.07
B. H. Valentine	26	1	1095	151	43.80
Compton (D.)	39	5	1472	163	43.29
Iddon	38	2	1499	185	41.63
Washbrook	36	5	1272	219*	41.03
R. E. S. Wyatt	32	5	1106	121*	40.96
Fishlock	42	1	1677	165	40.90
Leyland	37	4	1343	135	40.69
Lee (F. S.)	43	5	1528	162	40.21
Langridge (James)	36	8	1107	156	39.53
Sutcliffe	39	5	1321	142	38.85
Worthington	32	2	1156	121	38.35
O'Connor	42	3	1451	152	37.20
Parks (J. H.)	41	3	1409	169	37.07
Geary	30	6	873	116*	36.37
Woolley	39	2	1336	162	36.10
Parks (H. W.)	39	4	1257	114	35.91
Martin	34	4	1093	128*	35.25
Dyson	43	3	1409	149	35.22
Mitchell (Yorkshire)	29	2	951	133	35.22
Crapp	40	4	1264	137	35.11

Gilmour all missing reasonably easy chances. Neither of the wingers, Glen or Mackay, was at his best, and Gilmour has played better. Haywood and Whitelaw were the best of the attack.

The attendance was 10,000 in sunny weather.

WORCESTER PLAYERS
TO LEAVE

Worcestershire are not re-engaging Warne and Grimshaw at the end of the season.

Warne, a left-hand bat and right-arm slow bowler, is the son of a former Australian Test Match player. He came to England in 1933 and joined Worcestershire, for whom he scored 1,000 runs in 1935. Grimshaw, a 22-year-old Yorkshire-born batsman, was taken on the staff in 1935.

Bowling

(Qualification: 40 wickets, average 24)

	O.	M.	R.	W.	Aver.
Bowes	722.3	240	1328	92	14.43
Leyland	322.3	94	913	54	16.90
Verity	997.3	365	2048	121	16.92
Mayer	561.4	118	1486	85	17.48
J. C. Clay	561	138	1423	81	17.56
K. Farnes	439.1	95	1145	63	18.17
Copson	628.4	134	1684	87	19.35
Watts	621	108	1905	98	19.43
Pollard	1066.5	228	2711	136	19.93
Nichols	978.5	221	2628	131	20.06
Smith (J.)	1031	244	2421	119	20.34
Wellard	990.4	198	2752	135	20.38
Mitchell	593.5	90	2101	100	21.01
Smailes	705.1	188	1782	83	21.46
Andrews	719.2	132	2265	105	21.57
Pope (G. H.)	656.5	131	1760	78	22.56
Wright	667.3	137	2219	98	22.64
Hollies	846.3	208	2120	92	23.04
Boyes	823.4	225	1995	86	23.17
Perks	928.2	166	2877	124	23.20
R. J. Crisp	295.3	37	1040	44	23.63
Sinfield	1138.3	291	2678	113	23.69
Smith (P.)	1015.1	195	2966	125	23.72
Goddard	688	149	1807	76	23.77

Australian Averages

Batting

Times Highest

	Inns.	N.O.	Runs.	Inns.	Aver.
D. G. Bradman	25	5	2362	278	118.10
W. A. Brown	26	3	1550	265*	67.29
A. L. Hassett	25	3	1371	220*	62.31
C. L. Badcock	28	3	1324	198	52.96
C. W. Walker	6	3	124	37	41.33
C. J. McCabe	24	2	902	232	41.00
J. H. Fingleton	27	1	1018	124	39.15
S. Barnes	9	2	264	63	37.17
A. G. Chipperfield	18	3	424	104*	28.26
B. A. Barnett	19	4	419	120*	37.93
M. G. Waite	20	3	402	54	23.64
E. S. White	12	3	131	42*	18.71
F. Ward	10	5	88	29*	17.60
W. J. O'Reilly	11	1	160	42	16.00
L. O. B. Fleetwood-Smith	14	6	71	10	8.87
E. L. McCormick	11	1	38	12	3.80

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O. M. R. W. Aver.

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L. O. B. Fleetwood-Smith	416.3	83	1240	82	15.12
W. J. O'Reilly	538.4	162	1327	87	15.25
F. Ward	373.5	84	1182	63	18.76
E. S. White	287	117	485	23	21.08
M. G. Waite	449.1	141	966	44	21.95
A. G. Chipperfield	54.1	18	155	6	25.83
A. L. Hassett	17	7	26	1	26.00
E. L. McCormick	290	48	978	33	29.63
S. J. McCabe	164	45	403	13	31.00

Also bowled: C. L. Badcock, 2—0—10—0.

STARTLING
RESULTSENGLISH SOCCER
OPENING DAY

London, Saturday.

English soccer opened Saturday with shocks galore, notably in the Third Division (South) in which away teams won with monotonous consistency, though the newcomers to higher class football, Ipswich Town scored a nice home victory.

Arsenal won, but the cup winners took a trouncing at Leeds and the Villa celebrated their return to the First Division with an away victory at Grimsby's expense.

The results, as cabled by Reuter, follow:

FIRST DIVISION

Arsenal	2	Portsmouth	0
Birmingham	1	Sunderland	2
Blackpool	0	Everton	2
Bolton	2	Charlton	1
Brentford	2	Huddersfield	1
Derby	2	Wolves	2
Grimsby	1	Aston Villa	2
Leeds	2	Preston	1
Leicester	2	Stoke	2
Liverpool	2	Chelsea	1
Middlesbro'	3	Manchester U.	1

SECOND DIVISION

Blackburn	3	Tranmere	2
Coventry	1	Burnley	1
Fulham	3	West Ham	2
M'chester C.	5	Swansea	0
Millwall	3	Chesterfield	1
Newcastle	2	Plymouth	1
Norwich	1	Bradford	3
Notts. F.	0	Sheffield U.	2
Wednesday	2	Bury	0
Southampton	1	Tottenham	2
W. Bromwich	3	Luton	0

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)

Bournemouth	1	Crystal P.	1
Brighton	3	Walsall	1
Bristol R.	3	Mansfield	0
Cardiff	1	Exeter	2
Clapton O.	1	Newport	3
Ipswich	4	Southend	2
Port Vale	1	Aldershot	3
Reading	2	Queen's Park	4
Swindon	4	Notts. C.	1
Torquay	1	Northampton	2
Watford	2	Bristol C.	2

THIRD DIVISION (NORTH)

Barrow	2	Lincoln	2
Bradford C.	6	Darlington	2
Carlisle	2	Hartlepool	0
Chester	1	Hull	1
Crewe	3	Gateshead	2
Doncaster	1	York	0
Halifax	2	Accrington	0
New Brighton	0	Stockport	0
Oldham	4	Barnsley	2
Rotherham	7	Rochdale	1
Southport	3	Wrexham	1

SCOTTISH LEAGUE

(FIRST DIVISION)

Arbroath	4	Hamilton	1
Ayr	1	Albion	1
Celtic	1	Aberdeen	2
Falkirk	0	Clyde	2
Hibernian	2	Queen O'S.	3
Motherwell	5	Kilmarnock	2
Partick	3	Hearts	1
St. Johnstone	4	Queen's Park	1
St. Mirren	1	Rangers	5
Third Lanark	5	Raith	0

SECOND DIVISION

Airdrie	1	Dundee U.	0
Alloa	5	Edinburgh	1
Cowdenbeath	5	Leith	1
Dumbarton	1	Morton	3
Dundee	3	Sten'muir	1
East Fife	7	East Stirling	5
King's Park	1	Dunfermline	2
Montrose	7	Forfar	8
St. Bernard's	7	Brechin	1

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Quarters in close touch with the Government are of the opinion that the British Government has intimated through the medium of Simon's speech that it upholds the general policy of the Prague Government.

The "Marodny Listy," regarded as the mouthpiece of the Czech Premier, speaks of an appeal in the last hour to the Fuehrer and the Reich Chancellor, whilst the semi-official "Prager Presse" selects for emphasis in a brief comment, Sir Simon's concluding words addressed to "those, who with disregard of interests of world peace, threaten the satisfactory solution." — Trans-Ocean.

SWISS AIR TRAGEDY

Duebendorf, To-day.
Catastrophe overtook four of five aeroplanes which left here on Saturday afternoon to participate in an aviation meeting in Lugano. storms and poor visibility causing them to crash against the mountain sides.

According to a communique from the police department of Schwyz the weather became so bad over the mountains that the fliers decided to return to their base but endeavouring to turn in the high wind they were hurled against the mountains of Heuberg and Drusenberg.

The passengers of one plane survived with injuries but according to available reports the crews of the other three planes comprising two men each were killed.

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